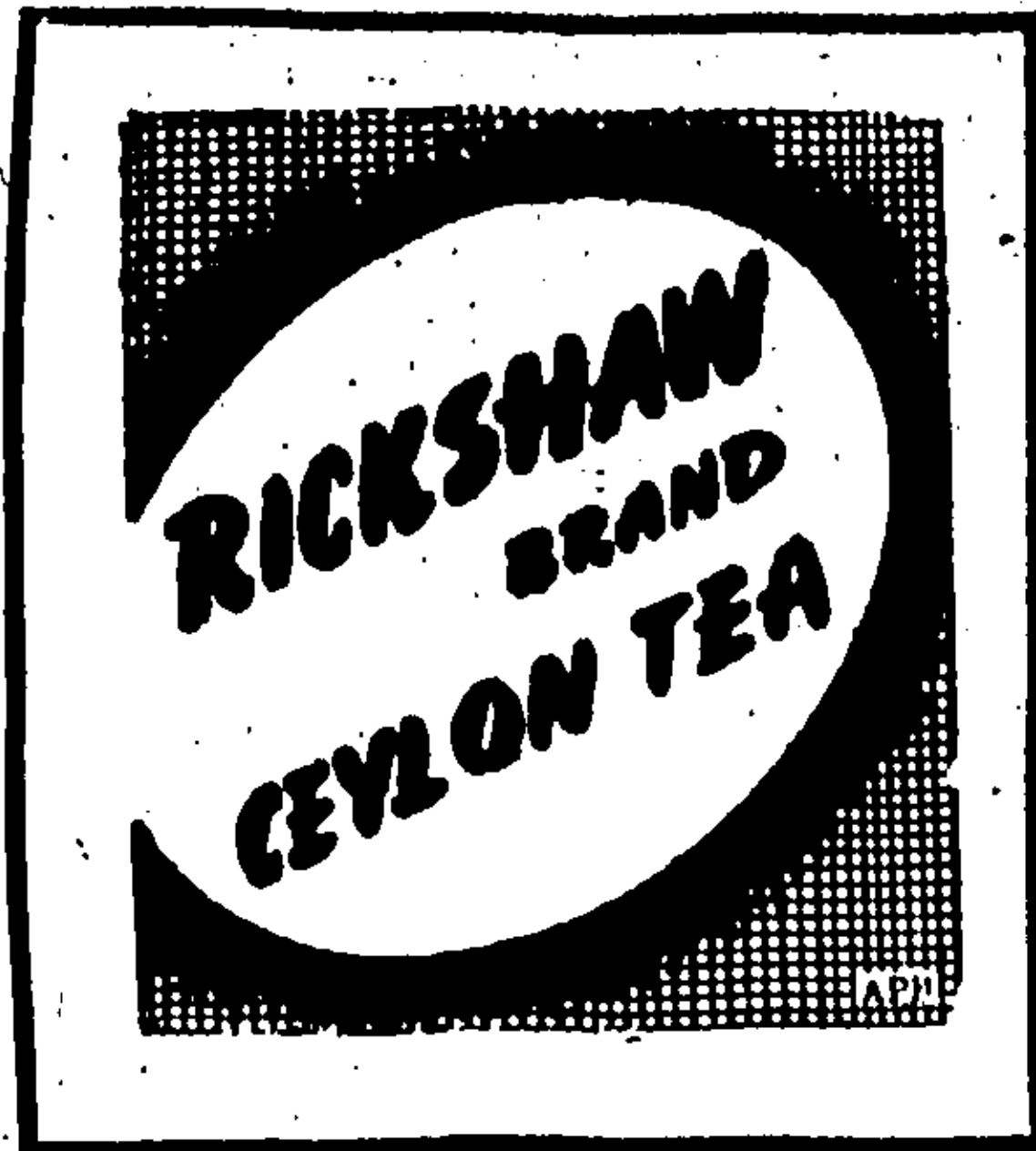




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Although violent wind gusts were experienced for some hours afterwards, the typhoon passed the Colony, between 20 and 30 miles to the west, at about eleven o'clock this morning, and is now believed to be filling up to the north-west of Hong Kong.

Torrential downpour accompanied the gale, and the whole of the lowlying country in the New Territories was flooded, in places to a depth of two and three feet.

Volunteers in camp at Fanling were washed out.

After several tents had been blown down by terrific gusts, heavier than were experienced in town, the order was given to strike camp at about 11 a.m. and a special train brought the men into Kowloon.

In the march from the camp to the station, in full kit, the Volunteers were at all times in six or more inches of water; several were blown over by the wind, and others strayed off the path, into paddy fields.

The Investiture at Government House, which was postponed this morning owing to the typhoon conditions, will now take place on Saturday at the same hour.

TRIFLING DAMAGE

Damage in the city was of a trifling nature. A few windows were broken, signboards crashed, here and there shutters were left hanging precariously by their hinges.

During the morning the maximum gust velocity recorded was 74 miles an hour, from the East. The average velocity between 10 and 11 a.m. when the typhoon was probably nearest to the Colony was between 39 and 46 miles an hour.

At Waglan and Gap Rock, average velocities were lower, being no more than from 32 to 38 m.p.h.

Over four inches of rain were registered at the Royal Observatory, though it was heavier in other parts. Observatory figures were as follows:—

Nov. 22	
9 p.m.	255 inches
10 p.m.	200
11 p.m.	070
Drizzle	until
Nov. 23	
9 a.m.	065
10 a.m.	72
11 a.m.	1495
Noon	360
1 p.m.	510
2 p.m.	480

The total is half the maximum recorded in any previous November for

SOVIET KEEPS NAZIS WAITING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Helsinki, To-day. German-Russian technical co-operation apparently is not going smoothly, it is reported from Moscow.

Thirty German technicians, sent to modernise Russian factories, have been in Moscow over a month awaiting authorisation to enter factories.—Havas.

FIRST NAZI NIGHT RAID ON ENGLAND

London, To-day.

Anti-aircraft guns opened fire on the Essex coast late last night, and at one point intensive machine-gun fire above the clouds was heard.

The Air Ministry state that the air raid warning was sounded in a district in Essex shortly before 10 p.m., and the all clear went half an hour later.

A later Air Ministry announcement stated that last night enemy aircraft approached the south-east coast.

Anti-aircraft guns opened fire, and R.A.F. fighters were sent to intercept the Nazi planes.

One enemy aircraft was shot down in the sea by anti-aircraft fire, and a second enemy aircraft was engaged and driven off by fighters.—Reuter.

FATAL BLOW TO GERMANY, SAYS ITALY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rome, To-day.

The complete Allied blockade of German trade will prove a fatal blow for the Reich, writes the "Gazzetta del Mezzogiorno."

The newspaper says it is evident that Germany will be unable to carry on the war without foreign currency and raw materials from abroad.

In the last war Germany attempted such desperate measures as trying to export by submarines, thus showing the vital importance of her overseas trade, but failed. The journal concludes: "Every day that passes strengthens the Allies."—Havas.

the whole month, which was 8,815 in 1914.

It is noteworthy that the gale from the south experienced this afternoon was the first such gale in the history

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AMERICA'S FIRM STAND IN FAR EAST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

THE STATEMENT BY MR. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, that negotiations are not taking place between the U.S.A. and Japan, is considered as indication that the Administration is maintaining a firm stand towards Japan.

When, on July 20, the U.S.A. gave notice denouncing the U.S.-Japan commercial treaty, which expires on January 21, 1940, politicians here considered this six-months period would serve for readjusting relations between the two countries.

Further prospects of an understanding were seen when the Russo-German agreement provided an occasion for revising the whole Japanese foreign policy.

However, no progress was achieved; in fact, new incidents, such as discrimination against American traders in Tientsin, occurred.

The latest scientific discoveries, too, may play a part in the situation.

The important commercial links between Japan and the U.S.A. have constantly smoothed down political difficulties, but the discovery of nylon, a cheap and excellent artificial silk manufactured by Dupont de Nemours, will eventually cut down Japanese imports to the U.S.A. and will influence political relations.

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NINE NAZI LOSSES IN AIR CLASHES

London, To-day.

It is now revealed that nine German planes have been shot down with no British and two French losses in the last 48 hours.

The air activity is a mark of the return of clear weather.—Reuter.

PARIS RAID ALARM

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

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MUNICH BOMBING ALLEGATIONS MERELY CONFUSE

London, To-day.

GERMAN ACCOUNTS of the arrest of the "man responsible for the Munich bombing, George Elser" and of the "arrest" of two alleged British Secret Service agents in the same connection shed little light and, indeed, only add to the confusion.

One Nazi account says that Elser was arrested the same night of the bombing. Another says it was a week ago. Apparently, the man has, or has not, been in custody ever since they started to look for him!

For six days, Elser protested his innocence, say the Nazis, and he then made "a full confession."

In spite of this, however, German newspapers are publishing a long list of things Himmler, the Gestapo chief, wants to know about the man — his home life, friends, occupation, etc.—all things which are normally to be found in "a full confession."

BRITISH "AGENTS"

The Nazis say that two British agents, "Mr. Best and Captain Stephens," were arrested on the Dutch frontier in connection with the explosion.

They were said to be in some doubt whether they were in Dutch or in German territory when they were kidnapped.

A memorandum on the subject has been presented by the Netherlands Government to Berlin, and in London the charges against the two men are described as "incomprehensible."—Reuter.

NAZIS ADMIT LOSS OFF DEAL

London, To-day.

The Nazis now officially admit the loss of the Dornier bomber shot down on Tuesday near Deal.

The Admiralty and Air Ministry confirm that the R.A.F. destroyed a Nazi plane which appeared over the Thames Estuary on Monday and which was driven out to sea.

Two German flying officers and a rating were picked up in the North Sea on Monday by a British destroyer.

This was the only German plane to reach the outskirts of London that day, and so there is obviously no truth in German allegations that their reconnaissance flights on that day had been successful. — Reuter.

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HIGH COST OF WAR

London, To-day.
Sir John Simon, in a statement in the Commons yesterday, declared that the present war was the most expensive in history.

Although military operations had not developed on any large scale, the cost to Britain was already over £6,000,000 a day.—Reuter.

DRY FROST ON MOSELLE FRONT

London, To-day.

A dry frost has settled down on the northern section of the western front and large-scale operations in the next few days are not a remote possibility.

There was intense artillery fire on both sides from the Moselle to the Vosges yesterday, and patrol activity to the west of the Saar was considerably increased.

In the Rhine zone, several sections of the front are still under water and some of the German troops have been forced to move from their West Wall positions.—Reuter.

LUBLIN AREA BEING EVACUATED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day.

It is reported from Poland that towns and villages in the vicinity of Lublin are being evacuated with a view to creation of a "Jewish reservation," while 150,000 Jews are expected to arrive soon.

All males under 70 and females under 55 are compelled by the Nazis to work—the women in the fields and men on road and house building and swamp draining.—Havas.

UNHENFELS IN LOURENCO MARQUES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Lisbon, To-day.

The German freighter Uhnenfels, which was reported to have been sighted off Mozambique a few days ago, has arrived at Lourenco Marques, in Portuguese East Africa.

The steamer was camouflaged in order to resemble steamers of the Dutch Afrika Lijn.—Havas.

JUMPS FROM HOTEL VERANDAH

Jumping from the second floor verandah of the Man Kok Hotel at 11.30 a.m. to-day, 24-year-old Mak Tai, sustained severe injuries and was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital. His condition is critical. He arrived from Macao last night.

FATAL ACCIDENT

A Chinese on board the s.s. Tai Sang, missed his footing and fell down a hold shortly after 12 noon to-day.

He was conveyed to the Queen Mary Hospital but died shortly after admittance.

ELECTROCUTED

Chan Wei-ling, of No. 278, Reclamation Street, died on his way to Kowloon Hospital yesterday, after he received a shock from contact with a live wire.

WOMAN'S COMPLAINT AGAINST INDIAN

Objection taken to the jury, owing to the preponderance of Chinese on it, by Agit Singh, a police constable, charged with rape, was overruled by His Lordship the Puisne Judge Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Sessions to-day.

The accused is represented by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, while the case for the Crown is conducted by Mr. T. J. Gould, Assistant Crown Counsel.

The jury is composed of Messrs. A. Valeria (foreman), Chan Kwok-on, F. P. Pereira, Ching Shik-wing, Poon Kei-yeung, A. A. Wan and Wong Chor-ling.

Mr. Gould said that complainant, Tang Yee, was a married woman who lived with her husband and two sons, aged 7 and 5, in Sheung Shui market. They were refugees from Shum Chun. The husband was a hawker, while accused was a police guard at Fanling Lodge.

In September, accused suggested to the woman that she take on the washing for the Indians at Fanling Lodge and he offered to take her there at 6 p.m. the following day. She refused, saying it was too late, but she eventually went next day with her husband and found there was no washing to be done.

On October 3, she saw accused at about noon. She refused to speak to him. Later he saw her again and asked why she was so angry. She replied that she had gone to the Lodge when there was no washing to be done.

ALLEGED INCIDENT

Accused insisted there was and persuaded her to visit the Lodge again. That evening, she went with her two children, one of whom she carried on her back.

They were met by accused on arrival and he took some clothing which he threw on the ground. The child which the woman carried was put on the ground and accused gave each child a dollar. He later took hold of the woman and took her to some pine trees, opposite the Lodge, where the alleged offence was committed.

As the result of her complaint to the police, accused was arrested. When charged, he said that he had known the complainant for some time and had been paying her money for her consent.

The case is proceeding.

JUNK SET ON FIRE

Lam Lin-tsai, master of cargo junk No. 570HW, has informed that at Sam Mun Custom Station at about noon on November 19, he was fired on by a Japanese trawler.

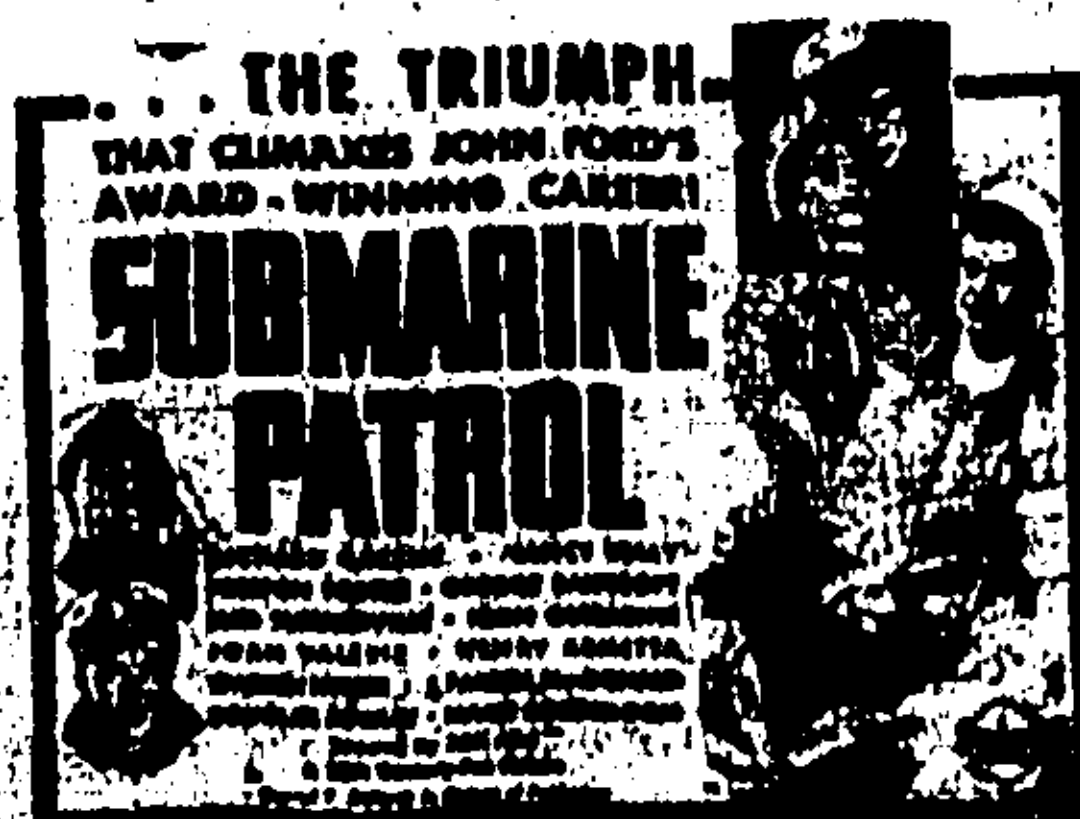
About 30 Japanese sailors boarded his junk, and ordered him and his crew into sampans. The junk was then set on fire.

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ANOTHER ITALIAN VICTIM OF MINES: TUGS TRYING TO TOW HER TO SAFETY

London, To-day.

THE ITALIAN S.S. FIANONA, of some 6,000 tons, struck a mine off the Kentish Coast on Tuesday night. She is still afloat, however, and tugs are trying to tow her to port.

People on the shore heard a violent explosion and the lifeboat was launched immediately. It found the ship still afloat, despite a large hole forward and a split all down the hull on the starboard side. She was making water rapidly.

She carried little cargo, however, and was thus more buoyant than usual. The lifeboat stood by all night.

This is the second Italian ship to be sunk in the past four days, the other being the 6,000-ton *Grazia*, already reported. — *Reuter*.

JAPANESE OFFICIALS PRESERVE CAUTION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese Embassy in London has officially informed the Foreign Office here that it was an anchored mine that sank the *Terukuni Maru*.

Officials here carefully avoid placing the blame on any country, while the Japanese press has been asked to refrain from any undue excitement, with the idea of not letting the public take sides in the war, from which Japan wants to keep out at all costs.

Only the semi-official "Japan Times," quoting neutral information from London, says in a headline "German mine held responsible."

FACTS ACCEPTED

In spite of all this caution the Japanese public widely believes the ship struck a German mine.

It is noted, inter alia, that the ship was piloted by a British pilot, and also that the Hamburg radio announced on Nov. 21 Germany's intention to place mines within British waters and declining to take responsibility for the consequences for neutrals.—*Havas*.

S.S. TAKES OVER

Warsaw, To-day.

The last regular German army regiments left Polish territory over the week-end and are now moving into Germany.

They have been replaced in Poland by the S.S. troops. — *Reuter*.

FRENCH ENVOY IN CHUNGKING

Chungking, To-day.

M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China arrived here yesterday afternoon by air from Hankow. The French envoy was met by representatives from the Foreign Ministry. — *Our Own Correspondent*.

PASSENGERS IN THE TERUKUNI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tokyo, To-day.

It is now learned that three Far Eastern passengers were on board the *Terukuni Maru* when she was sunk.

In addition to Mrs. Helen S. Swailes (of Hong Kong) and Mr. J. P. B. Jones (of Shanghai), a Briton from Japan, Mr. W. Ferguson, a resident of Yokohama, was on board. — *Havas*.

FANCIFUL GERMAN STORIES OF NAVY CASUALTIES

London, To-day.

A REPORT WAS RECENTLY published in American newspapers that British warships had been sighted in the Atlantic and that Canada was preparing to build ships.

Thereupon the Germans falsely represented the "New York Times" as saying that H.M.S. *Hood*, *Repulse* and *Renown* had been taken for repair to Canada, where they would be safe from enemy attack.

In fact, the Nazi air raids on our war ports have been totally ineffective.

Only the antiquated H.M.S. *Duke* suffered superficial damage, compared with the destruction of 17 raiding planes. The fabrication of neutral evidence to support imaginary news is an attempt by the Nazis to bolster up morale on the home front. — *Reuter*.

OFFICIAL STORY OF AIR VISITS

London, To-day.

The Admiralty and Air Ministry announce: "The Germans on Tuesday claimed that reconnaissance aircraft which raided England on Monday fulfilled their tasks according to plan.

One German aircraft, a Heinkel 111, succeeded in reaching the outskirts of London.

The pilots of R.A.F. fighters who chased this raider from the Thames Estuary out to sea and engaged it, reported that they saw part of the enemy plane fall off as it dived steeply towards the clouds below.

It was not known how badly the Heinkel was damaged, and therefore no claim was made that it had been brought down.

Confirmation of the success of the attack was received when a British destroyer picked up two German flying officers and one rating from a rubber boat in the North sea.

The prisoners, two of whom were badly wounded, were from this Heinkel 111 aircraft, which was shot down by R.A.F. fighters at about 1 p.m. on Monday.

The Heinkel had been attempting a photographic reconnaissance over the neighbourhood of London and the Thames Estuary. — *British Wireless*.

JAPANESE LIEUT-GEN. KILLED

Peiping, To-day.

The Japanese spokesman yesterday confirmed Chungking's claim to have killed the Japanese divisional commander, Lt.-Gen. Abe, who was ambushed with 10 men near Paotingfu a few days ago. All were killed.

Lt.-Gen. Abe was the first of his rank to be killed in the Sino-Japanese hostilities. — *Reuter*.

NGAI KWONG-YIM MURDERED

Mr. Ngai Kwong-yim, Chairman of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce in Bangkok, was murdered on Tuesday, according to a message received by the "Ta Kung Pao" from Bangkok.

The message did not state the motive, but said that Mr. Ngai's patriotic activities had aroused ill-feelings among certain subversive elements.

A native of Tanghai, near Swatow, Mr. Ngai was a rich merchant in Thailand, dealing in rice, wine and oil. He was recently made a member of the People's Political Council of Kwangtung Province.

A fervent patriot, he contributed \$300,000 to China out of his own pocket and collected over \$5,000,000 in patriotic donations.

JAPANESE INDIGNANT AT SINKING OF TERUKUNI MARU

London, To-day.

THE MASTER OF THE N.Y.K. *Terukuni Maru* states positively that his ship was not struck by a floating mine which had broken adrift.

The ship was steaming at 15 knots and was drawing 27 feet in the shipping channel south-west of the Sunk Lightship when she was mined.

It was broad daylight and visibility was good. There were five look-outs.

The explosion was not at the side of the ship but underneath, and the ship lifted and threw men off their feet.

The nearest British mined area is 35 miles away from the scene, and in any case British mines are rendered automatically safe if they break away.

There was no loss of life because it was daylight, the sea was calm and the lifeboats were lowered in good time before the ship listed.

Several auxiliary craft in the vicinity rescued most of the passengers and crew.

The ship had cleared the contraband control in five hours.

JAPANESE INDIGNANT

There is the greatest indignation in Japanese and other neutral shipping companies at the *Terukuni* mining, by Germany, in shipping channels, with the obvious intention of inflicting loss and interrupting merchant shipping in the interests of humanity. — *Reuter*.

SLOVAKIAN GERMANS GET SHOCK

Zurich, To-day.

Great surprise is felt among the German minorities in Slovakia at the Nazi decision to include their territory in the repatriation scheme, says the Berlin correspondent of a Zurich newspaper.

Only recently, these minorities welcomed the news that battalions would be formed in the Slovakian Army and the Prime Minister's announcement on Tuesday is a complete change of policy. — *Reuter*.

DOG-FIGHTS IN WAR ZONE

London, To-day.

YESTERDAY WAS A DAY of almost record activity in the air by the air forces of all the belligerents.

Six enemy planes appeared over the Shetlands and though several bombs were dropped, no casualties are reported.

On the western front six Nazi planes were shot down. One of them, a Dornier 17, was brought down by a French fighter near Nancy.

In another air battle, a French patrol came across a large group of Messerschmidts near Strasbourg. Three of the Nazi machines were downed, the pilots escaping by parachute.

French anti-aircraft fire riddled another enemy craft, which after flying some distance, crashed near Ostend after the plane had broken up in the air.

Another enemy plane was caught by French A. A. fire and crashed, the crew being killed.

The French lost two planes, the pilot of one machine, a fighter, being killed.

REUTER CORRESPONDENT'S STORY OF BATTLES

Reuter's correspondent with the R.A.F. in France cables that seven German aircraft are reported to have been shot down by Allied fighters and another by French anti-aircraft fire, in one of the liveliest days in the air since the war started. Operations extended over 100 miles of the front.

Results received at headquarters show that in the northern zone a Heinkel III reconnaissance bomber was shot down by a British Hurricane fighter.

The enemy plane crashed on the Belgian side of the frontier.

PRISONERS TAKEN

One enemy plane, type unspecified, was brought down, presumably by British fighters.

In the southern zone, three Messerschmidt fighters were shot down by French fighters near Strasbourg, Werth and Remering. The enemy pilots landed by parachute and were taken prisoner.

Another enemy aircraft was brought down by a French fighter in the same area.

A fourth Messerschmidt was shot down by French anti-aircraft fire north of Sedan. The pilot was killed and the machine badly damaged.

FRENCH LOSE TWO

A Dornier reconnaissance bomber was shot down near Nancy. The pilot was uninjured and was taken prisoner. The fate of the rest of the crew is unknown.

The French lost two machines in dog-fights over Strasbourg. There were no British losses.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

It is officially stated that an unsuccessful aerial attack by the enemy was made on shipping in the Shetlands area yesterday morning. The attack was driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

The enemy then attacked with bombs an R.A.F. seaplane lying at her moorings, setting it on fire.

We suffered no casualties.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT REVISION

London, To-day.
The Official Secrets Bill was given its third reading in the House of Commons yesterday and has now passed all legislative stages.—Reuter.

WOUNDED AIRMEN PICKED UP

London, To-day.

British fighters have recently brought down the following raiders:

On November 20 a German Heinkel 111 was chased out to sea, and the next day the crew of this machine was picked up from a rubber boat off Orford Ness.

Their names are Lieutenant Wilhelm Meyer (suffering from a scalp injury received in the crash), Oberseldwebel Garhardt Rickertsen (suffering from a machine-gun wound), Unteroffizier Theodor Stexrer (slightly hurt in the crash).

On November 21 a Dornier 17 twin-engine reconnaissance aircraft was engaged by British fighters over Deal and brought down in the sea ten miles off Gris Nez. The wreckage was salvaged but there were no survivors.

At almost the same time a Heinkel 111 was brought down off Boulogne by a British fighter stationed in France.—British Wireless.

SECRET SESSION OF PARLIAMENT SUGGESTED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MR. ATTLEE, THE OPPOSITION LEADER, FOLLOWING THE WAR MINISTER IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY SAID: "I THINK THE TIME HAS COME WHEN I SHOULD GIVE NOTICE THAT IN THE NEW SESSION WE SHALL ASK FOR A SECRET SESSION OF THE HOUSE AT AN EARLY OPPORTUNITY IN ORDER TO DISCUSS IMPROVING OUR ORGANISATION AND OUTPUT OF SUPPLIES, AND THAT THIS HOUSE MAY MAKE ITS PROPER CONTRIBUTION TO THAT SUBJECT."

They ought to be dispersed, and this House has its responsibility which it cannot leave entirely to Ministers.

We want to be sure that we are doing our utmost for the more energetic prosecution of the war.

We want to be sure that everything possible is being done."

LIBERALS AGREE

Sir Percy Harris, speaking for the Liberals, also attached importance to the holding of a secret session, not so much in order that the Government might give information but that members might have an opportunity to speak their mind and furnish information which they have heard in the course of their work.—British Wireless.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND

London, To-day.

The Maharajah of Indore has sent a gift of £1,000 to the Lord Mayor's Red Cross fund.—Reuter.

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AIR DUEL IN FOG AND DARKNESS

London, To-day.

The War Office and Air Ministry announce: "British coastal defences and a German seaplane fought a machine gun duel in fog and darkness on Tuesday night."

The engagement was one incident in a series of reconnaissance raids by enemy seaplanes which, as reported, brought anti-aircraft guns into action on the east coast.

The raider dived low, machine gunning the defenders, and was answered with fire from the ground.

For a few seconds there was a brisk exchange and then the seaplane climbed again and disappeared in the fog and clouds.—British Wireless.

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SHANGHAI JUDGE MURDERED

Shanghai, To-day.
Mr. Yueh Hwa, presiding Judge of the Criminal Section of the Second Branch of the Kiangsu High Court in the International Settlement, was fatally shot in front of his residence in the French Concession at 9 o'clock this morning.
The assailants, who fired four or five shots, escaped.—Reuter.

DUTCH PRESS COMMENT

Amsterdam, To-day.
The Netherlands' Government is concerned at the Allies' decision to stop German exports.

Views are expressed in the various Dutch newspapers protesting against the British decision, and expressing the fear that it will damage Dutch trade.

The "Telegraaf" wonders whether the decision will also include goods manufactured in neutral countries from German raw materials.—Reuter.

DENIAL OF RIGHT OF IMPOSITION

Amsterdam, To-day.

AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT was made to Reuter yesterday defining the Netherlands Government's attitude towards the British contraband control.

The statement declares that a neutral country cannot permit itself to be forced to make declarations that goods on board its ships shall not be re-exported in any form to any land.

Apart from the question whether this is in conformity with the Netherlands neutrality policy, one must consider the consequences of acquiescence in such pressure, continues the statement.

The Netherlands, as result of this pressure, would only be able to import goods for Dutch consumption, and trade with the belligerents, and especially Germany, which is one of the Netherlands' principal customers, would be impossible.

The statement concludes by declaring that the British policy not only violates the Netherlands' ideas of neutrality but also the fundamental ideas of international law, and will have most harmful repercussions on Britain's own trade.

DUTCH ATTITUDE

"If the Netherlands are no longer able to supply Germany with food-stuffs and raw materials in the same quantities as previously, she will be obliged, in accordance with her neutrality, to withhold the articles mentioned in the same way from England," declares the statement.—Reuter.

NAZI PLANE DOWN IN FLANDERS

Ostend, To-day.

A German aeroplane, believed to have been engaged in an air battle over France, has crashed near Thourout, in West Flanders.

The pilot used his parachute and was unhurt; the other three members of the crew are dead and are believed to have been struck by bullets in the course of the air fight. The machine was destroyed.—Reuter.

TRADE WITH ITALY

London, To-day.

During discussion in the House of Commons yesterday on the new Anglo-Italian commercial arrangements, the hope was expressed that the arrangements would lead to increasing trade with Italy.—Reuter.

LOCAL TIMBERYARD MYSTERY

One rifle magazine, 789 rounds of ammunition and 16 clips, discovered at the Hing Lee Timbryard in Tong Mi Road, Kowloon, was ordered to be confiscated at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

A coolie employed in the yard found the ammunition hidden between some timber.

RECEPTION GIVEN BY SOUTH AFRICA

London, To-day.

Colonel Denys Reitz, South African representative at the Empire talks, was the guest of honour at a reception given last night by the High Commissioner for South Africa at South Africa House.—Reuter.

For snatching a handbag from Miss Fillmore, of No. 150, Nathan Road, yesterday evening near the Palace Hotel, Young Cho, 27, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and 10 strokes.

FRENCH ADOPT REPRISALS

Paris, To-day.

The French Government has also decided to stop German exports as a retaliation against the Nazis' illegal and inhuman conduct of the war at sea.
This announcement was issued in Paris yesterday.—Reuter.

BELGIUM JOINING IN HOLLAND'S PROTEST

Brussels, To-day.

It is learned that the Belgian Government is likely to associate itself with the Netherlands' protest against Britain's two-way blockade proposals.

The two governments have been in communication and there is a suggestion that Holland will institute a convoy system to protect their steamers from U-boats, mines and blockade.

A Note will be sent to Britain as soon as official notice has been given of the British decision.

In the meantime, it is reported that on Government instructions, all Netherlands' steamship companies have cancelled sailings.—Reuter.

"PIRACY AND ROBBERY"

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE NAZI GOVERNMENT HAS REACTED TO THE BRITISH DECISION WITH FURY DISGUISED AS RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION, CALLING IT "PIRACY AND ROBBERY."

The Nazi Government has also changed its attitude with regard to its illegal mine-laying.

Its first reaction to the loss of the Simon Bolivar was to blame British mines. This did not go down. On Tuesday, the Nazis actually boasted of their mine successes in the North Sea.

Yesterday, they went back to their original line, but as the American newspaper "New York Times" points out, this will not affect the opinions of American officers who have first-hand knowledge of German mine operations in the last war.—Reuter.

R.A.F. OVER GERMANY

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that the R.A.F. conducted successful flights on Monday and Tuesday over Stuttgart, Frankfurt, Hamburg and Bremen.—Reuter.

BELGIAN COMMENT ON DECISION

Brussels, To-day.

The newspaper "Libre Belge" believes that German exports to North and South America will be chiefly affected and that shipments for the Belgian and Dutch colonies may be given reasonable tolerance.—Reuter.

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Congress passes the Neutrality Bill.

President Roosevelt signs the Resolution.

The German Air Attack on the Firth of Forth.

Captured aviators in a British Hospital.

President Kallio of Finland, King Christian of Denmark and King Haakon of Norway, join King Gustav of Sweden at Stockholm for a conference on mutual war aid.

Premier Juho Passikivi of Finland returns to Helsinki from Moscow with Russia's demands.

General Gamelin and General Viscount Gort inspect the Front.

Major General Windsor among the mud.

Reconnaissance and attack mission over German lines.

Latest pictures of Tientsin Blockade.

Demonstration of Japanese Puppet Army of White Russians in Tientsin.

Latest bombing of Chungking and actual attacks on the Japanese invaders by Chinese Guerillas.

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CHINESE EVACUATING NANNING: JAPANESE NOW ADVANCING RAPIDLY

Kwong Chow Wan, To-day.
STRONGLY SUPPORTED by many aircraft and heavy artillery, the reinforced Japanese troops at Taitse (Big Temple) took the offensive early yesterday morning and managed to cross the border and enter Kwangsi the second time.

High explosive bombs dropped by Japanese aircraft shattered the Chinese defence lines.

Japanese cavalry and infantry made a rapid advance north-westwards, occasionally engaging in skirmishes with Chinese who failed to withdraw with the main forces.

Last night they were reported to be some 15 miles from Nanning, former capital of Kwangsi and their immediate objective.

EVACUATION OF NANNING

Nanning is being hurriedly evacuated by all civilians and businessmen, most of the women and children having left some days ago.

The Chinese defenders north-west of Pakhoi scored a success yesterday afternoon when they defeated a small Japanese force.—Our Own Correspondent.

READY TO STRIKE BACK

Somewhere At The Front, To-day.

The Chinese have long made preparations against the Japanese invasion of Kwangsi and are ready to strike back heavily, declared General Pai Chung-hsi, Director of the Generalissimo's Provisional Headquarters for the Southwest, in an interview with the Central News yesterday. — Central News.

BITTER FIGHTING

Shiukwan, To-day.
Bitter fighting continues on the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border. Considerable casualties were inflicted upon the Japanese at Taichihu, northwest of Yamchow. The Japanese have pushed further north to Siutung. — Central News.

GERMAN STEAMER BREAKS UP

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announces the stopping of a 4,100-ton German steamer, the Berta Fisser, off the coast of Iceland. She was masquerading under the names of "Emden I" and "Ada." She has gone aground and broken into two.

The British warship fired four warning shots at the Berta Fisser. When she refused to stop, the warship shelled her.

The crew tried to sink her and took to the boats, being picked up by the warship.

The Berta Fisser caught fire, drifted onto the rocks during the night and went to pieces. — Reuter.

TWO CHEQUES LOST LAST NIGHT

Mr. Chan Kam-po, manager of the Bank of Canton, has reported the loss of two cheques, to the total value of \$3,000, outside the St. Francis Hotel at midnight last night. The cheques are payable to a refugee relief association; one is a Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank cheque for \$2,000, the other for \$1,000 is on the Bank of China.

WHARFAGE FACILITIES IN TSINGTAO

London, To-day.

Wharfage facilities made available to third Power shipping at Tsingtao continue to be inadequate, said Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday.

At Chefoo, pressure had been brought to bear on Chinese merchants to ship by other than British vessels, but the situation, according to reliable unofficial reports, was now stated to be somewhat easier.

At Tientsin, British shipping had been subjected to certain delays owing to the examination imposed by the Japanese military authorities as part of the blockade of the Concessions.

In South China, certain ports, such as Foochow and Wenchow, had been blocked by mines, whilst at others, including Canton and Swatow, which were in Japanese occupation, temporary arrangements had been made for periodical visits by British warships. — Reuter.

U.S. NOT TO NEGOTIATE WITH JAPAN

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

"THERE IS NOT GOING TO BE, EITHER IN TOKYO OR WASHINGTON, NEGOTIATIONS IN REGARD TO COMMERCIAL TREATY RELATIONS," DECLARED MR. SUMNER WELLES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, SPEAKING AT HIS DAILY PRESS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY REGARDING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

Mr. Welles added he made the declaration in order to clear up any confusion regarding the status of relations between the two countries.

The U.S. Ambassador in Tokyo, he concluded, was constantly in touch with the Japanese Foreign Office concerning this relationship.—Reuter.

U.S. AND THE NAVICERTS

Washington, To-day.

The Under-Secretary of State said yesterday that the United States do not regard British "navicerts" as interference with American trade for the time being.

The British Government, however, have been warned that the United States reserves all its rights under international law.—Reuter.

DRIVERS FINED AFTER COLLISION

AS A RESULT OF A COLLISION IN NATHAN ROAD AT 1 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 1, AU KAU, 25, LORRY DRIVER, AND YUEN MUN PAK, 28, BUS DRIVER, APPEARED BEFORE MR. A. MACFAYDEN IN THE KOWLOON MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING.

The former was charged with driving without due care and caution, the latter with failing to stop close to the side of the road.

Lieut. G. S. Parr, of the Kumaon Rifles, said that he was sitting next to Au in the lorry, which was owned by the United Delivery Co., 15 Indian soldiers were in the back.

Opposite Whitfield Barracks, the lorry was only about a length behind the bus, which stopped suddenly. The lorry collided with it, sustaining a great deal of damage to its front. No one was injured.

LACK OF ATTENTION

The lorry driver, said Lieutenant Parr, had not been paying much attention to the bus and ran into it without applying his brakes.

The bus driver said that a tree prevented his stopping close to the curb. According to the police, however, the bus was 7 feet from the nearest tree.

The lorry driver was fined \$5 and the bus driver \$15.

MASS AIR RAIDS CONTINUE

Kweilin, To-day.
Japanese aircraft continue to stage mass air raids over Nanning, Wuming, Yunghsun and Henghsien in south Kwangsi.

More than 20 machines took part in yesterday's attacks, raining high explosives. They machine-gunned the streets in Henghsien.—Central News.

THREE BURGLARIES

Mrs. Thurston, of No. 109, Nathan Road, has reported that about 6 a.m. yesterday, a handbag and contents valued at \$35 were stolen from the living room.

Jewellery to the value of \$80 was stolen from No. 14, Conduit Road, between 1 and 3 a.m. yesterday. It was the property of Dr. H. Tao.

A burglar gained entrance through an open window into the bedroom.

Mrs. Finnie, of No. 106, Waterloo Road, has reported that between midnight and 8 a.m. yesterday, a gentleman's evening suit and a ladies' jacket were stolen from her residence.

WOUNDED RED CROSS WORKER

A 38-year-old Red Cross worker was yesterday treated at the Kwong Wah Hospital, suffering from gun shot wounds, received while he was working in Chinese territory.

LONDON SCEPTICAL OF SOVIET CHANGE OF FRONT IN CHINA

London, To-day.

REPORTS FROM TOKYO that Russia is making increasing demands on China, in return for further support, coupled with Japanese press forecasts of a comprehensive Russo-Japanese agreement, were dismissed by Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador, as a mere "rumour offensive," in an interview with Reuter yesterday.

The Ambassador was equally sceptical regarding Japanese reports that Mr. Nelson Johnson (U.S. Ambassador to China) was about to offer American mediation between China and Japan.

Such reports were merely designed to confuse world opinion, said Mr. Quo Tai-chi.

From the beginning of the war Russia has advanced at different times credits to China totalling Gold \$150,000.

These were increased by another Gold \$100,000 as the result of Dr. Sun Fo's recent visit to Moscow, but this arrangement, it is emphasised, is a purely commercial transaction, not including any political stipulations.

SCEPTICISM IN LONDON

The diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" says that in other well-informed quarters the Japanese reports are regarded with much scepticism.

So far from being anxious to help the Japanese army out of its difficulties in China, the United States Government are taking a strong line in defence of the treaty rights of their citizens, threatened by Japanese military action.

Regarding the Russo-Japanese negotiations, each may well be tempted to "lay off" the quarrel with the other in view of their respective difficulties, Russia in the Balkans and Finland, and Japan in China.

However, such a truce, says "The Times," does not yet imply a general Russo-Japanese agreement at the expense of China and Russian political interests there.—Reuter.

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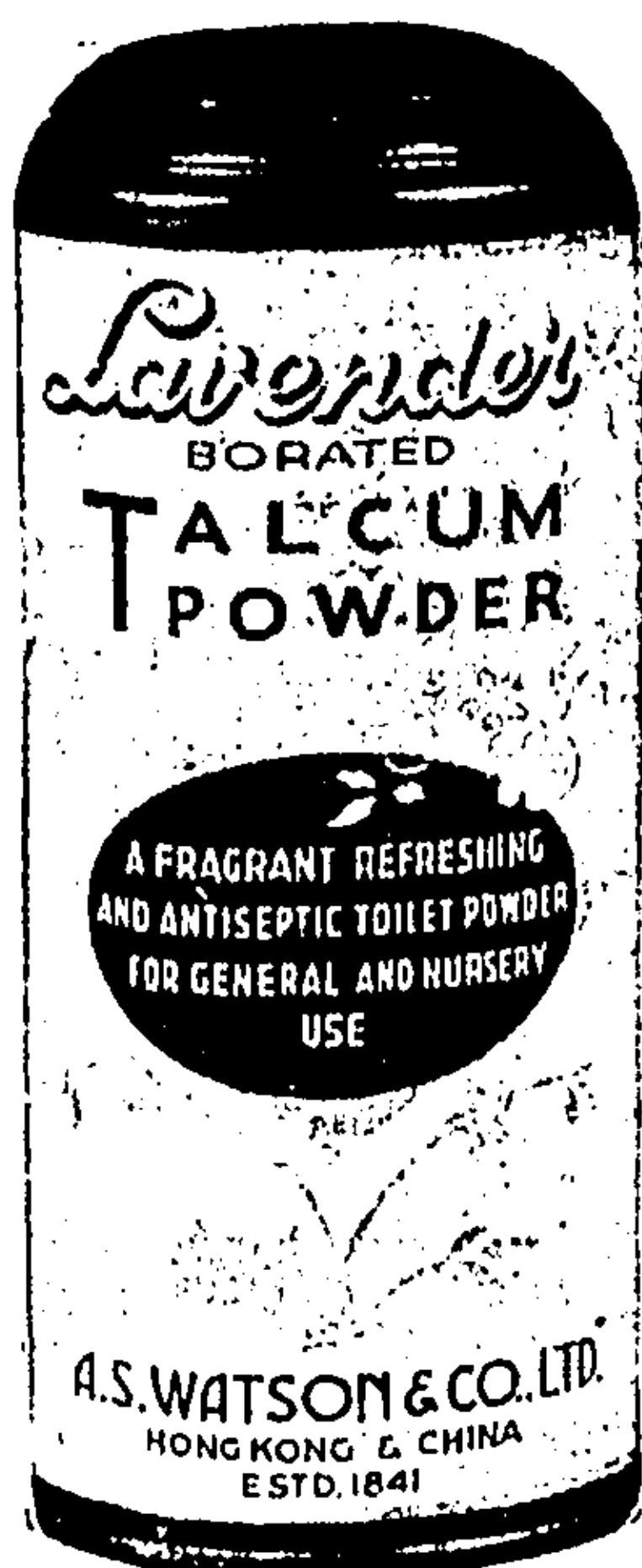
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

DIPLOMATIC COERCION

One who reads the reports of Japanese official and semi-official comments on the prospects of a new friendship between Russia and Japan hardly can escape the conclusion that there may be an element of diplomatic coercion in these comments.

Japanese officialdom knows that a tie-up with Russia means a surrender for Japan, but everybody also knows that it would be dangerous for a large part of the world at the same time. The democracies naturally dislike seeing Russia get such an advantage. Knowing this, the Japanese can take advantage of the situation to pressure the United States, among others, toward a disposition to deal with Japan to head off the Russian influence—at least they can try it.

One way of looking at the matter, one might assume that the example of the tie-up between Russia and Germany might make the Russo-Japanese threat more formidable. But another way of looking at it, somebody else might assume that the experience of Germany in the Russian alliance might serve as a warning to Japan.

The democratic diplomats know that the weapon which the Japanese are playing with is double-edged.—"Manila Bulletin."

A REMINDER

Mr. Lloyd George has again pressed his idea of "conference before carnage" in an eloquent speech at Caernarvon. With much of it all of us can agree.

We can agree that "a river of blood" should be avoided; that our relations with neutrals, and particularly with Russia, should be improved if Stalin is agreeable; that we should not be provocative and truculent; that we should let it be known that our "war aims" do not demand humiliation for the enemy. All acceptable. But all vague.

Hitler's proposals — so far — have been those of a conqueror. In accepting them, we should fix upon the

German people a tyranny of which many of them are weary: to take the matter only from the German side. If we felt bound, as Mr. Lloyd George has always done, to "stand up firmly to the dictator" when they began assaulting the weak, why should we cease to stand up to them now that dictatorship has added another victim to the lengthening list?

Let us remind Mr. Lloyd George of his reception of the "truculent" German peace proposals presented to the Allied Governments in December, 1918.

He then said: "There has been talk about proposals of peace. What are those proposals? There are none. To enter at the invitation of Germany, proclaiming herself victorious, without any knowledge of the proposals she proposes to make, into a conference, is to put our heads into a noose with the rope end in the hands of Germany."

Why, in 1918, did Mr. Lloyd George see so clearly a truth that he denies in 1939?—"Daily Mirror."

NAZI THREATS

The significant feature about recent developments is the change of attitude with regard to the neutrality of the two countries threatened. From unconditional assurances that their rights and integrity would be respected, there has been a chance to a conditional undertaking, one in which the sole judge of its applicability or inapplicability will be Herr Hitler, and the danger to Holland and Belgium is that, as his position becomes increasingly desperate, he will become decreasingly likely to honour this

particular commitment as he has been in the past. After all, in face of his major perfidies, the invasion of these two neutral countries would be in his eyes a minor matter and in his present plight he might very well ask himself why he should strain at a gnat after having so competently swallowed so many camels. The attitude which Belgium and Holland have adopted throughout has been entirely correct. Their position is a difficult one, for in their neutrality they owe it to themselves as well as to the belligerents to make sure that they shall not deviate either to one side or the other in their endeavour to prevent being involved in this present struggle. On their eastern borders they are faced with a ruthless, relentless enemy, heeding no codes such as those which honourable men observe, and depending upon their strength to escape the retribution which is the reward for wrongdoing. They will not, however, escape it. The deeds of their government have aroused the firmest determination that this evil thing which has been created shall be exterminated. Nothing has happened since the outbreak of the war in any way to modify that determination. Indeed there has been much to strengthen it. There may be much more in the future when the dogs of war are finally unleashed. It may be that both the threatened countries will be overrun or at least made the cockpit of contending nations, but of this they may rest assured, an Allied victory means for them a continuance of their history; an Allied defeat means their subjugation and slavery such as has been fastened around the necks of Czechoslovakia, Austria, and Poland. That they will resist invasion is clear. In doing so they will receive the assistance of the Allies, and all the world wants to know now is when Herr Hitler will drive them out of their neutrality into Allied arms. — "N.C.D.N."

THE INGENIOUS MIND

War hath its victories, even in the

HISTORY'S VERDICT?

"History alone, will determine whether Herr Hitler could have diverted Nazi-ism into normal channels, whether he was the victim of the movement which he had initiated, or whether it was his own megalomania which drove it beyond the limits which civilisation was prepared to tolerate."—Sir Neville Henderson.

walks of peace. Amongst them must be reckoned the ray which will, if its inventor's claim be justified, cause a lamp-post approached in a black-out to emit a warning shriek. Reversing the principle, a Hindu soothsayer claimed not long ago to have solved one of the problems that baffled the medieval alchemists—the secret of invisibility. Invited to demonstrate, he declined to do so on the ground that as he had not yet perfected the antidote there was some likelihood of his remaining permanently invisible. It is easy to see that even a philosopher might find this condition a source of embarrassment in society. A Hungarian claimed to have achieved the same result by making a Budapest reporter vanish from his chair. This device, long practised unofficially in Fleet-street, suggests an interesting method of dealing with certain characters on the screen and others, no less familiar, in clubs.

In a different category falls the woman inventor's grapefruit shelter—a small glass dome, with an opening for the spoon, which can be turned to one side to avoid splashing, so long as the diner's neighbour does not regard this as an unfriendly act. Others even odder may not be safely ridiculed. For it is an uncomfortable fact that most of the great inventions, from the steamship to wireless and the flying machine, have been dismissed at first as fantasies; and even the craziest is at least evidence of the faculty that lifted man about the apes.—"Daily Telegraph."

H.M.S. GIPSY HITS MINE; THRILLING SURVIVORS' STORY

London, To-day.

THE ADMIRALTY announce that the destroyer **Gipsy** struck a mine off the east coast yesterday and was subsequently beached.

Twenty-one officers and men are reported to have been injured, and about 40 ratings are missing. **Just over 100 survivors were landed at an east coast town by various vessels last night.**

One vessel anchored close to the scene and picked up 30 survivors, who were swimming strongly against an ebb tide, led by a powerful swimmer who continually encouraged them with shouts of "Come on boys, here we are."

One rating, interviewed, said he was in the engine-room when the explosion occurred, and the next minute he found himself in the water. He didn't know how he got there. He escaped with merely a superficial wound on the forehead.

SEARCHLIGHT RESCUES

Hundreds of people on the sea front watched the rescue by the beams of searchlights.

The crowds were attracted to the shore by violent explosions, and saw vessels hurrying to the stricken ship which was already partly submerged.

The spirit of the survivors was amazing, an onlooker told Reuter, and they came ashore singing and were wonderfully cheerful.

The survivors wore all kinds of clothing, including dressing-gowns and bathing-suits.

"BROKE IN HALF"

Another onlooker said the vessel appeared to have been struck amidships and broke in half.

The irony of the disaster is that during the day H.M.S. Gipsy had rescued three German airmen found adrift in a rubber boat.

A few days previously Gipsy had carried out another rescue, bringing in the crew of a ship which had been sunk in the North Sea. — Reuter.

SIX BRITISH AIRMEN JUMP FOR LIFE IN THE SHETLANDS

London, To-day.

The German planes which raided the Shetlands yesterday first appeared over the area bombed by them nine days before.

They were met by violent anti-aircraft fire and turned and circled several times.

Seven hundred school-children were leaving schools for lunch when the air raid warning was sounded.

Most of them hurried home, but a number were taken into the school air raid shelter, where they passed the time singing.

SEAPLANE HIT

Large crowds calmly watched the German machines as they flew close overhead.

Members of the crew of a British seaplane which was hit by a bomb had narrow escapes as they leaped into the water, a bomb falling near one of them.

Six British airmen were picked up by boats, and a seventh swam ashore. None of them was injured.

Before attacking the seaplane the German planes dropped missiles near a small inter-island mail steamer which was not hit and proceeded on the voyage. — Reuter.

WESTERN FRONT

GERMANS ADMIT FRENCH ADVANCE

Berlin, To-day.

The official Nazi news agency says: "On the east bank of the Moselle, south of Perl, enemy artillery of all calibres started activity."

"The enemy advanced to the edge of a wood south of the Kitzling-Mandern road." — Reuter.

GERMAN LOSSES

Paris, To-day.

German losses in patrol actions on the Western Front recently have been heavy, since the French beat them off with deadly automatic fire. — Reuter.

GREAT AERIAL ACTIVITY

Luxembourg, To-day.

There was great aerial activity on the Luxembourg-German frontier yesterday. — Reuter.

GERMANY MAKES SAME MISTAKE

LIVERPOOL, TO-DAY.

IN A TALK BEFORE THE LIVERPOOL BRANCH OF THE ROYAL EMPIRE SOCIETY, MAJOR-GENERAL SYKES SAID THAT AS IN 1914, THE GERMANS HAD PREDICTED IN 1939, FIRSTLY, THAT BRITAIN WOULD NOT COME INTO THE WAR, AND SECONDLY, THAT IF SHE DID, THE EMPIRE WOULD GO TO PIECES.

On both occasions they were mistaken, miscalculating the spirit and strength of the British Commonwealth.

We are facing the greatest ordeal in our history, he said, but our case is overwhelming. Britain, France, and the Dominions were fighting for civilization. — Reuter.

THE RHINE FLOODS

Berlin, To-day.

The official Nazi news agency, D.N.B., says that the French have been forced to evacuate further fortifications along the upper Rhine due to the floods.

The agency admits that one German plane failed to return "from a reconnaissance flight over Scapa Flow" yesterday.

It also states that German warships sank a number of ships in the North Sea. — Reuter.

CANADA'S BOMBER PROTOTYPE

Ottawa, To-day.

The Canadian-built version of the Bristol Blenheim bomber, the Bristol Bollingbroke, has been tested and accepted by the Royal Canadian Air Force. — Reuter.

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GERMANY FAILS TO FORCE CONCESSION FROM RUMANIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day.

DR. CLODIUS, HEAD OF the German commercial delegation here, flew to Berlin yesterday after signing an agreement which confesses the failure of the Germano-Rumanian trade negotiations.

The agreement only confirms part of the commercial accord signed in March last, and allows Germany to buy a limited quantity of Rumanian vegetable oils.

During the negotiations Germany put forth proposals for the fixation of the exchange ratio at 60 leis for the mark instead of 41, and for payments for Rumania oil in marks, while Rumania asked for war material or foreign currency.

Germany also asked for the right to use Rumanian railway material for the transportation of oil.

ALL DEMANDS REJECTED

All the Nazi demands were turned down.

Meanwhile transport is becoming difficult, as in spite of German insistence, the Russians have still not re-established traffic on the Poland-Rumania line, and Danube navigation is becoming impossible by reason of the advanced season. — Havas.

STRASSER GIVES LIE TO GESTAPO

PARIS, TO-DAY.

"I DON'T KNOW GEORGE ELZER. OF COURSE HE'S NOT ONE OF MY MEN!" DECLARED HERR OTTO STRASSER, HITLER'S WORST ENEMY, IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE "PARIS SOIR."

He added that he had never heard of "Mr. Best or Captain Stevens," two alleged British agents kidnapped by the Nazis on or within the Netherlands frontier.—Reuter.

BOY, 17, SHOT MAN TO PAY FOR CINEMA

A boy and a girl out for an evening wanted to go to the cinema but they hadn't got any money. But the boy had a gun, so they shot a man and got the price of the seats.

That was the story Harrison Howes, seventeen-year-old schoolboy, told the Stoughton, Massachusetts, police, when he and his sweetheart, Helen Hayes, a schoolgirl of sixteen, were arrested.

He puffed coolly at a cigarette as he confessed the murder.

He told how they crept up behind fifty-five-year-old Simon Danilovich in a deserted part of the town and shot him dead.

JUST PRICE OF SEATS

He hadn't much in his pockets — only two shillings, as it happened. Fortunately, just enough for the seats.

They confessed that this was only the high-spot of a career of crime.

Harrison told the police that they were in the habit of roaming the streets at night and breaking into houses.

DELPHINE CREW REACH SAFETY

London, To-day.

The crew of the Delphine, which was sunk in the Atlantic, reached port safely yesterday.—Reuter.

BRITISH ANNOUNCER ON NAZI RADIO

One of the announcers broadcasting propaganda in English from a German wireless station is believed to be Norman Baillie-Stewart, the former "Officer in the Tower," who in 1933 was sentenced to five years' penal servitude for imparting military information to Germany.

It is stated that people who knew him as a lieutenant in the Seaforth Highlanders have recognised his voice in early morning broadcasts.

Baillie-Stewart was released from Maidstone Prison in January, 1937, part of his sentence having been remitted.

ADOLF WANTS TO GO BACK TO A BETTER JOB

The following "agony" appeared in an East Dumbartonshire newspaper: "Middle-aged house-painter desires situation. Has been away from trade for some years, so is willing to accept apprentice wage with firm offering prospects. Not available at the moment, but may be free to start at any time.—A. Hitler, Berlin."

Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



WAR SECRETARY ON ACTIVITY OF B.E.F.

London, To-day.

MR. LESLIE HORE-BELISHA, Secretary for War, making his periodical statement in the House of Commons yesterday, opened with a reference to the value of the operations in Poland, which facilitated preparations on the western front.

Their cause was attracting like a magnet their countrymen from all parts of the world.

Thousands of British troops were going every week to France, and by Spring will have been reinforced by no inconsiderable armament.

STOLE BACK SECRET PLAN

A report drawn up by British experts who inspected a German explosives works at Oppau mysteriously disappeared from a sealed railway carriage.

This incident, which occurred in 1919, was revealed by Mr. H. A. Humphrey, who gave the Melchett lecture for 1939 before members of the Institute of Fuel, in London.

Mr. Humphrey was one of the leading experts at the Ministry of Munitions during the last war.

"On our return from Germany it was arranged that we should travel by car, via the battlefields, to Paris," he said.

SOLDIER ON GUARD

"We placed our luggage and the precious report in the care of the senior French officer who saw it locked up in a closed railway wagon and officially sealed.

"A French soldier travelled on the train in charge of the wagon, but when the train reached Paris it was discovered that part of the floor had been removed and all my luggage and the report had been abstracted.

"Fortunately, we took all our notes with us in the car, and on reaching England we were able to reproduce the report and to make plans."

Mr. Humphrey also disclosed that the cause of the Silvertown factory explosion in 1917 was the formation of a little-known self-igniting chemical compound formed as dust.

The explosion was heard a hundred miles away, killed sixty-nine people and injured four hundred.

NAZIS 'CRASH' TROOPS' RADIO

British officers listening to Nazi broadcasts in English to our troops on the Western Front claim to have recognised the voice of the announcer.

He is a renegade Englishman, they say, who was once in trouble and later fled from England.

This propaganda is given out on a wavelength so close to the B.B.C. wavelength that troops searching for news and music from the English station are bound to pick up accidentally the German stations, says a special correspondent.

But Nazi radio propaganda is not the Tommies' only form of amusement.

One unit is running its own football pool. Coupons are printed locally. The matches are played by the unit's teams.

Camps have already been prepared behind the British lines for prisoners of war. First arrivals are expected soon.

"We could not have completed our formations in France," Mr. Hore-Belisha stated, "without the assistance of the Territorial Army, whose units reached France at a very much earlier stage and in greater numbers than in 1914.

"Do not let the country pretend, however, that Britain can within a proximate time furnish an army of Continental dimensions.

"Nearly a million men are intensively training in Britain.

CAUTION OF FRANCE

"The Maginot Line is in some measure the debt which free nations owe to the caution of France, which, even when beset with financial troubles, diverted an unstinted proportion of its economic resources to the construction of the Line.

"Whereas Germany has to defend 200 miles of frontier, France must envisage the possibility of aggression by Germany along 800 miles from the North Sea to the Alps."

MUD EVERYWHERE

Having referred to the more recent extension of the Maginot Line, Mr. Hore-Belisha said the sector now allotted to the British Army was fortunately provided in advance with field works, and the task which fell to our soldiers on arrival was to add to and improve on these.

"Everywhere there is activity and everywhere there is mud.

"An organisation of almost inconceivable dimensions has been established.

MORE VEHICLES AND MORE

"In the initial stages the British Expeditionary Force consumed 500 tons of petrol a day.

"Now alternative bases have been established, additional locomotives will be imported and a permanent way laid down, but still it is a question of vehicles, vehicles and more vehicles."

The War Minister illustrated the size of the organisation by the fact that the Force has an improvised organisation dealing with 270,000 letters and 17,000 parcels a day, which is double the quantity in 1918.

WIDE PREPARATION

As a result of his recent visit to the western front he was able to give an encouraging account of the fortitude and good temper of our troops, whose health was extremely good, sickness being less than in peace time at home.

Meanwhile, we were despatching arms and equipment to other parts of the world, and were preparing for all eventualities.—Reuter.

HE WANTS TO BREAK IN!

Guards at the Jackson, Michigan, Prison, U.S., are expecting a gaol break—from the outside!

Ex-convict Joseph Bush, since serving a sentence there, insists it's his rightful home.

He broke in few months ago and was found sitting in an unlocked cell. He returned a week later with a gift of fruit for the governor.

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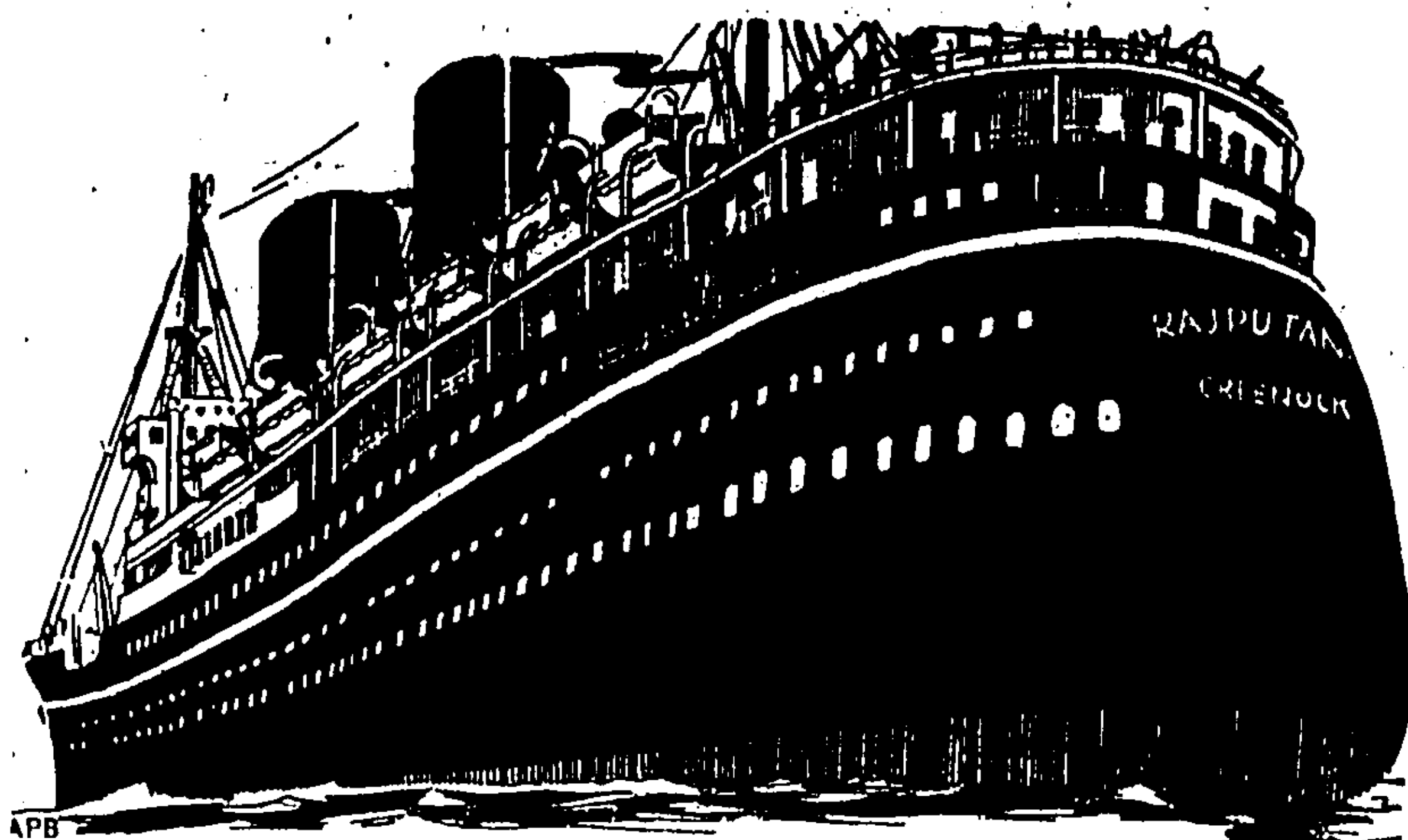


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Shanghai	November 23.
Formosa	November 23.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C.—date, 4th November)	November 23.
Straits and Manila	November 23.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	November 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan — (San Francisco date, 28th October)	November 23.
Canton	November 24.
Shanghai	November 24.
Japan and Shanghai	November 24.
Japan	November 24.
Haiphong, Hoihow and Fort Bayard	November 25.
Shanghai	November 25.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 15th November	November 26.
Manila	November 26.
Manila	November 26.
Haiphong and Fort Bayard	November 27.
Canton	November 27.
Calcutta and Straits	November 27.
Haiphong	November 27.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st November	November 28.
Bangkok and Saigon	November 28.

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Canton	Nov. 23, 10.30 a.m.	
Bangkok	Nov. 23, 12.30 p.m.	
Fort Bayard	Nov. 23, 1.30 p.m.	
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 30th November).	Reg., ... Thur., Nov. 23, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Thur., Nov. 23, 5.30 p.m.	K.P.O. G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 29th November.	Reg., ... Thur., Nov. 23, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Thur., Nov. 23, 5.30 p.m.	K.P.O. G.P.O.
Amoy	Reg., ... Thur., Nov. 23, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Fri., Nov. 24, 7.30 a.m.	
Bangkok	Nov. 23, 7.00 p.m.	
Shanghai	Nov. 23, 7.00 p.m.	
FRIDAY		
Sandakan	Nov. 24, 8.30 a.m.	
Fort Bayard	Nov. 24, 10.30 a.m.	
Haiphong	Nov. 24, 1.00 p.m.	
Manila	Nov. 24, 3.30 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Suez and London Parcels —due London, 4th January, 1940.	Parcels, ... Nov. 24, 3.00 p.m. Reg., ... Nov. 24, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Nov. 24, 5.30 p.m.	K.P.O. G.P.O.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 7th December.	Parcels, ... Nov. 24, 3.00 p.m. Reg., ... Nov. 24, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Nov. 24, 7.00 p.m.	K.P.O. G.P.O.
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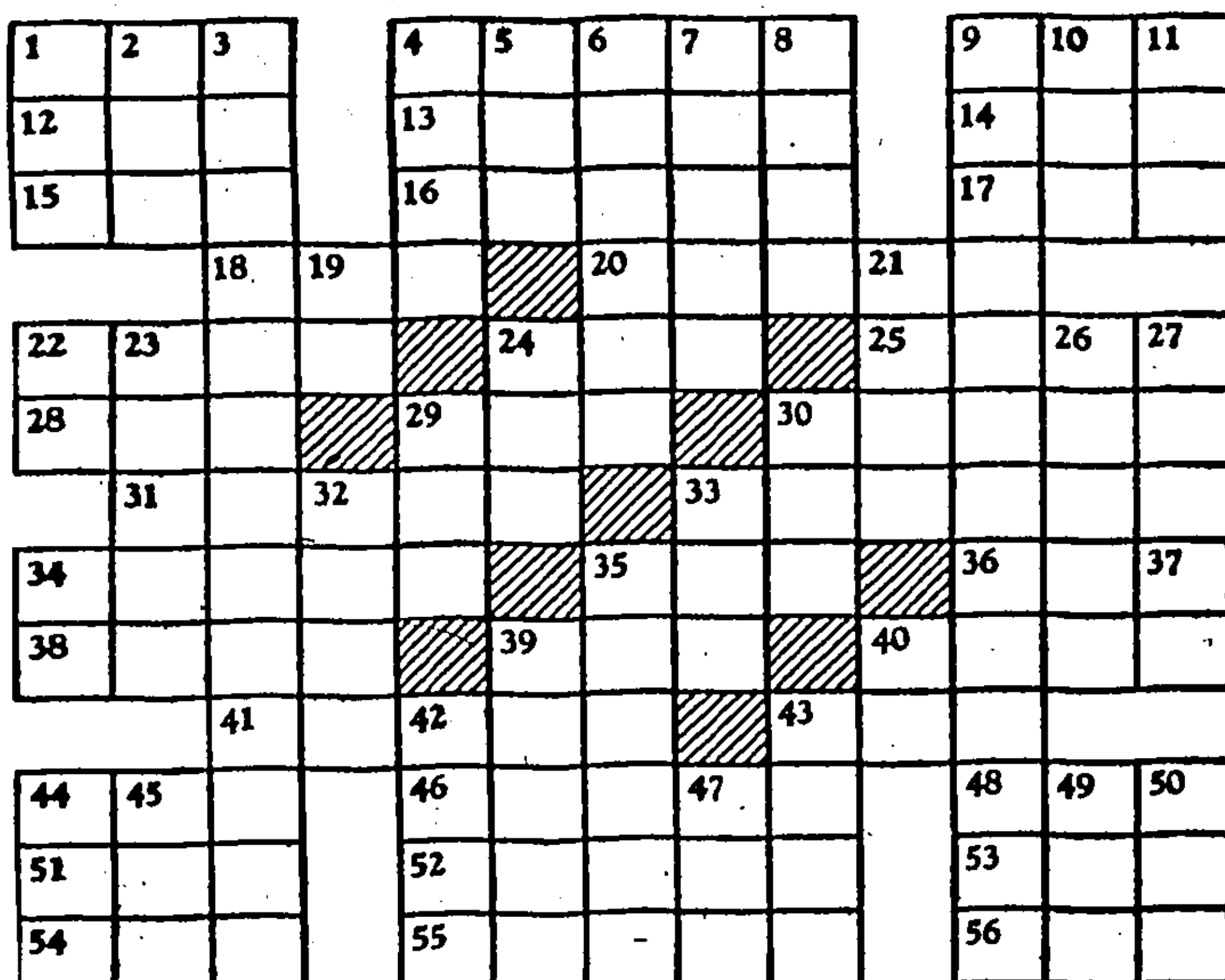
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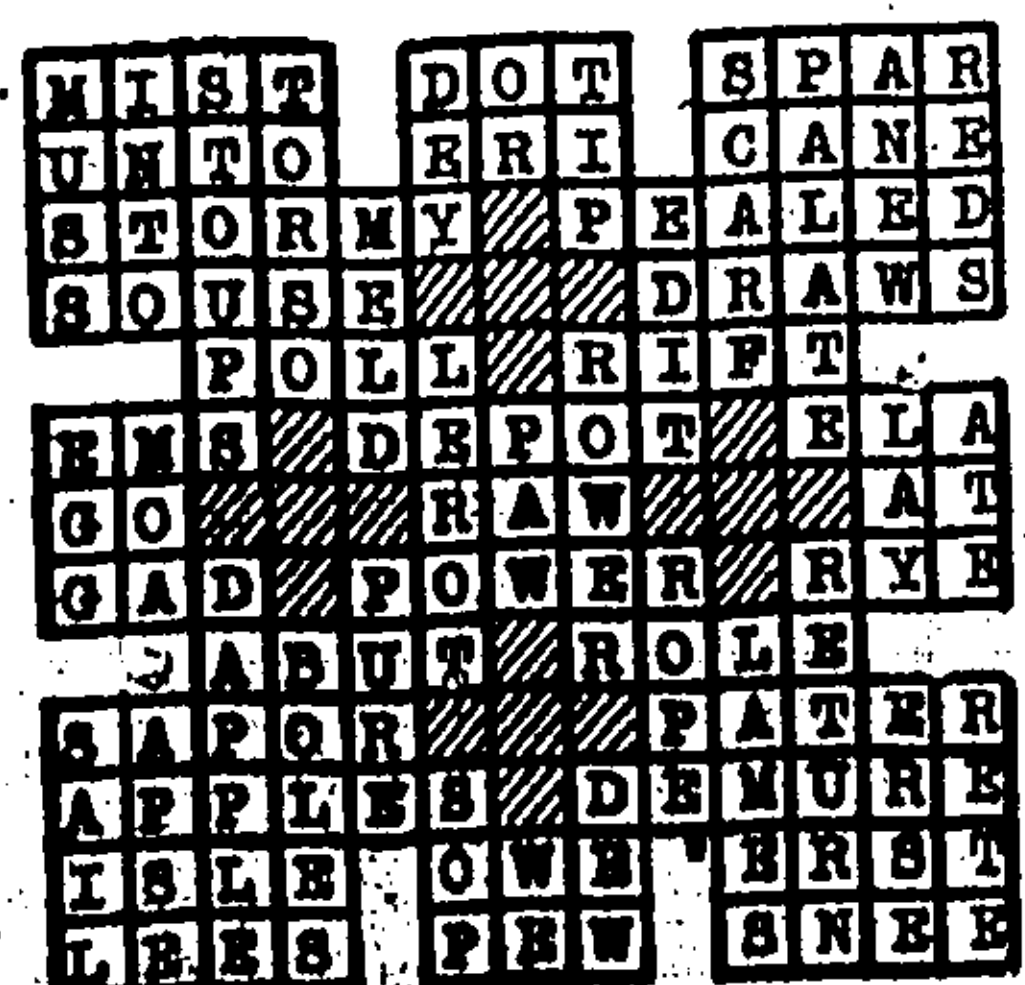
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 20 Garden dormouse
 22 A tramp
 24 Piece of furniture
 25 Prudish
 28 Silkworm
 29 Cushion
 30 Mates
 31 Place of worship
 33 Wood of West-Indian tree
 34 Foreigner
 35 Beast's stomach
 36 Western Indian
 38 Wagers
 39 Head covering

- 40 Egyptian sun disk
 41 Essence or roses
 43 Monk's title
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- 1 Preposition
 2 Constellation
 3 Reinstated
 4 Simpleton
 5 Guido's high note
 6 Seethed
 7 Roamed
 8 The south-west wind

- 9 That may be dispensed
 10 Aviator
 11 Fondle
 19 Japanese drama
 21 Semi-precious stone
 22 Pronoun
 23 Pope's veil
 24 Prohibit
 26 Incensed
 27 Manuscript (abbr.)
 29 Shallow vessel
 30 Animal's foot
 32 Experiment
 33 Opening
 34 Jewish month
 35 Kind of bird
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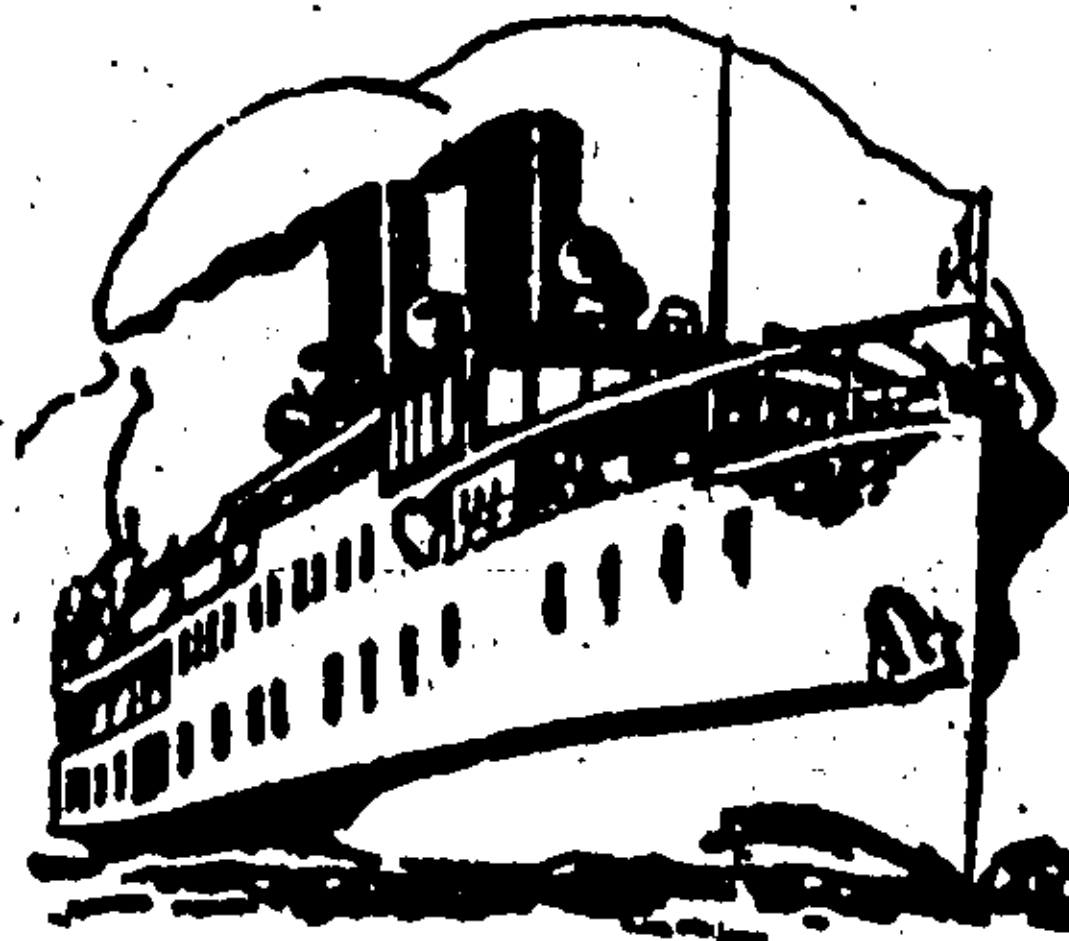
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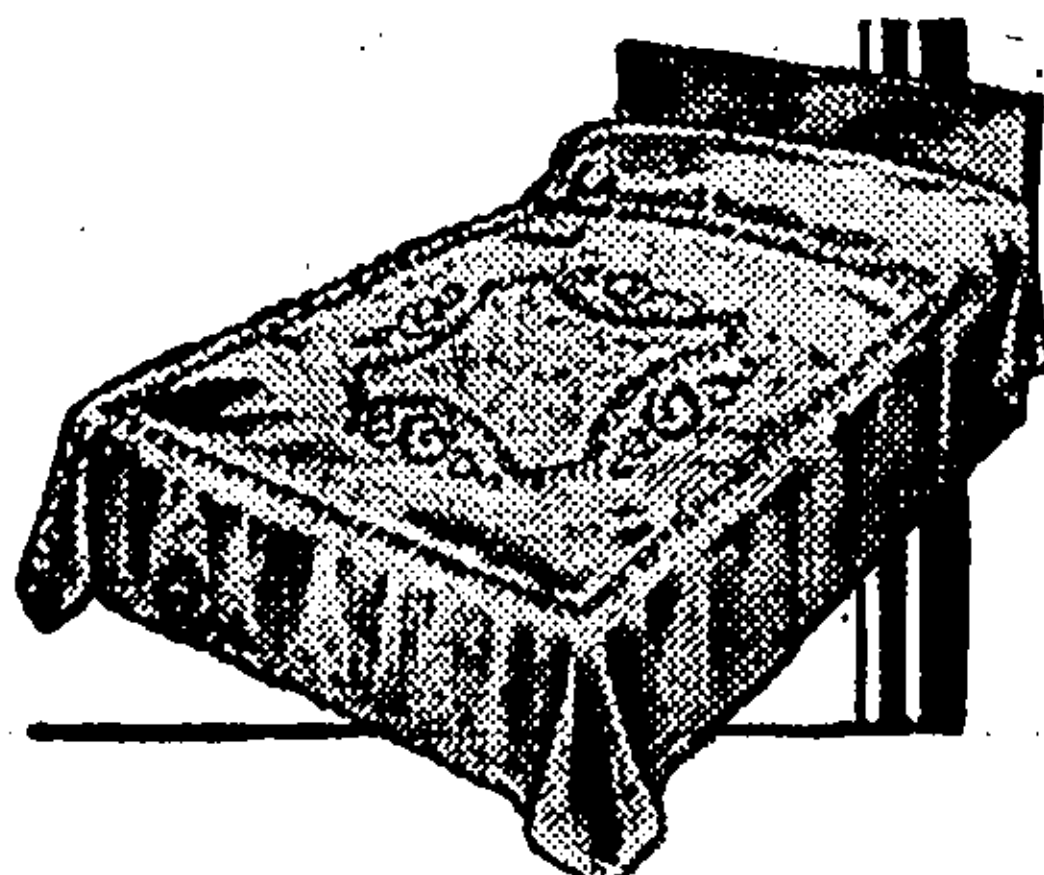
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The destroyer Mohawk was returning from patrol when a German bomber dived over her, spraying death-dealing lead along her decks. Men fell right and left.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations to-day:

BANKS
Hong Kong Bank \$1320 b.

INSURANCES
Canton Ins. \$205 b.
Union Ins. \$390 sa.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$175 b.

SHIPPING
Douglases \$70 b.
H.K. Steamboats \$12 s.
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H.K. Tramways \$15.70 b., \$15.95 s.
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China Lights (Old) \$7.60 b., \$7.85 s.

H.K. Electrics \$49¼ b.
Telephones (Old) \$20.60 b.

INDUSTRIALS
Cements \$14.60 b., \$14.90 s.

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Mambulao Ps. .04 b.
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Mind. Mother Lode Ps. .08 sa.
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North Camarines Ps. .18½ sa.
Paracale Gumaus Ps. .18 sa.
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Surigao Consol. Ps. .18½ sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .14 sa.
Syndicate Inv. Ps. .018 b.
United Paracales Ps. .33 sa.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

Spot was quoted at 23-1/2 and forward at 23-5/8.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.02 and New York on London at £-U.S.\$3.89.

DIPLOMATS MEET

Chungking, To-day.
The Japanese Minister-at-Large, Mr. S. Kato, called on Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the American Ambassador to China yesterday, according to a Shanghai report. He left after half an hour.

According to a secretary of the American envoy, Mr. Kato's visit was in the nature of a courtesy call. This was the first time that the two diplomats met.

They did not touch on Far Eastern questions.

Mr. Johnson is leaving Shanghai for Chinwangtao to-morrow.—Central News.

The Commander's legs were shattered. At his feet lay the body of Lieutenant O'Shea, his second in command.

Commander Jolly hung on to the rail, taking the weight from his legs. "Open fire," he ordered in firm tones, and the guns spoke. The men who fired them stood among dead and wounded comrades.

Then the Commander turned to the bridge messenger. "Bring me a chair," he said. This was done, and he lowered himself into it.

"BRING HIM DOWN"

His features contorted with pain, the gallant officer continued to take command of his ship.

He refused all assistance. "Bring that machine down, bring him down," he shouted. And the sailors, inspired by such magnificent courage, handled their anti-aircraft guns with uncanny skill.

Commander Jolly manoeuvred Mohawk at a speed so that every gun she possessed could be brought to bear on the raider.

A HERO DIES

He had his reward when he saw the German bomber lurch away badly hit. "That's the stuff, boys," he cried. "Now I'll get the ship home for you." And he did.

As the Mohawk steamed into the dockyard with a mortally wounded man in command, issuing his orders in a voice that was always becoming weaker, naval men hurried to meet her.

No Scottish dockyard has ever witnessed such a scene. Everything was forgotten but this little destroyer and her gallant crew.

FROM THE DOCKSIDE THE WATCHERS SAW THE CAPTAIN FALL. OFFICERS AND MEN SALUTED AND THE SHIP'S ENSIGN LOWERED TO HALF MAST. A NAVAL HERO HAD DIED.

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All members desirous of playing in this match are requested to communicate by 1st December with Mr. W. Macfarlane, Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., Causeway Bay.

TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

—THE
CONFESSION
HOAX

BY GEORGE BARTON

One foggy morning in May, 1932, a passerby in Baytree Road, Brixton, saw a man sprawling in the mud by the side of a shabby looking taxicab. A glance was sufficient to show that he was dead and a call was sent at once to the police.

No less a person than Superintendent Carlin of Scotland Yard rushed to the spot to make an examination while the evidence, if any, was still fresh. There was plenty of it, in fact almost too much to be true.

At the outset, it was certain the man had been murdered. There had been a struggle during which the victim had been shot in the back of the head. It did not take long to prove that the dead man was Jacob Dickey, the owner and driver of the taxicab. The motive was robbery. That was obvious from the way in which the pockets had been turned inside out.

Later it was to be shown that the poor fellow had been slain for a comparative pittance—for two English pounds. A human life remorselessly taken for ten dollars in American money! It is characteristic of the greatness of Scotland Yard that this stirred the police to the depths and that Superintendent Carlin and his aides started on the investigation with as much vigor and energy as if the victim had been the richest peer in the realm.

In a sense the evidence was ready-made for in the mud around the body and the now driverless taxicab Carlin found these articles:

A gold-headed walking stick.

An electric flashlight.

A pair of men's gloves

A pistol.

Three shots had been fired from the revolver which was still partly loaded. The post-mortem showed that the bullet which killed Dickey had been fired from this weapon. But the thing that intrigued Detective Carlin more than anything else was the gold-headed walking stick. It was so conspicuous that it shrieked aloud for attention.

Within an hour after the discovery of the body all of the resources of Scotland Yard had been brought into play. From Charing Cross district it was reported that a man named Eddie Vivian—not unknown to the police—had once sported such a cane. He was a dandy among the crooks. His house was immediately surrounded and in the course of time Vivian, looking as bright and fresh and as happy as the flowers that bloom in the spring, came sauntering along.

But he carried no walking stick!

Taken to the police station for questioning he never once lost his jaunty and debonaire manner. Never had a suspect been so affable, courteous and complaisant. He answered all questions freely and—seemingly—without any mental reservations. Suddenly, Carlin thrust the gold-



She "Put the Finger" on the Murderer.

headed walking stick in front of him, exclaiming:

"Did you ever see that stick before?"

All eyes were on Vivian; all ears waited for the expected denial. But it did not come. Instead, he replied quietly: "Yes, that stick belongs to me."

He admitted the ownership of the gloves, was not sure about the electric torch and he resolutely disclaimed ownership of the pistol. He said he had been at home all of the day and the night of the murder of Dickey. No amount of questioning could make him change his story. Further examination, however, caused him to admit that he had purchased the weapon some days before for one Scottie Mason.

Placed in a cell he said he lived at the house of a woman named Hetty Colquhoun and that Scottie Mason, whom they both knew, had visited them just after his release from a Glasgow jail. On the morning before the Dickey murder, Scottie Mason announced that he was going out for a little air, according to Vivian, and as he left the house he picked up Vivian's gloves and stick from their place in the hall. That was all he knew, he declared.

The next day, so quickly do the English police work, Scottie Mason was brought to the station house. He admitted nothing and denied everything. Carlin, who later said Mason had the most cruel eyes he had ever seen in a human being, was convinced that he was lying. He noticed that Ma-

son's trousers had been torn and then mended with bluish thread. His hands and knees were cut and scratched. In explanation Mason said this had happened during a robbery at Norbury three days before.

The Norbury police at once denied this. There had been no robbery in that place in a week and this confession hoax proved to be a boomerang for Mason. Then was located a woman who furnished a most important clue. She said that on the night of the murder a man had jumped over her back fence and asked permission to go through her house into the street on the other side. Vivian and Mason were stood in line with four other men of the same size and build. The woman promptly pointed to Mason as the man who had jumped her fence.

Hetty Colquhoun, who, in the meantime, could not possibly have had any communication with Vivian, told the police a story which corroborated what he had said. She added that when Mason came back without Vivian's stick and gloves his trousers were torn and his hands and knees scratched. At his request she sewed up the torn trousers, using some strands from the blue fringe of the table cloth in the dining room.

Mason was tried at the Old Bailey, found guilty and sentenced to death. An agitation in his behalf afterward succeeded in having this reduced to life imprisonment.

It speaks well for Scotland Yard that the case was fully solved in a little over forty-eight hours.

SAUSAGE
AND MASHED
AT THE POLE

The most luxurious Polar expedition in history is about to start—complete with all home comforts. Admiral Byrd has completed his plans for penetrating the Antarctic with 125 men and £1,000,000 worth of equipment, and here is what he is taking with him:—

Five aeroplanes,
Several ready-made houses,
Library of 1,000 books, 500 magazines,

Five thousand cans of potatoes, already mashed,
Sixty thousand pounds of beef and mutton,

Two tons of canned dried beans,
Twenty-five tons of flour,
Five thousand pounds of eggs, and
Lots of other good things to eat.

GIANT ARMY TANKS

In fact, they'll be able to have sausage and mashed at the Pole.

And, of course, there are the dogs—160 of them. But even the dog sleds are equipped with radio.

An even newer touch is provided by three giant army tanks and an aeroplane-carrying snow plough.

In the warm, cosy tanks, Byrd and his comrades will be able to laugh at the ice obstructions. And if the snow gets in the way, the £30,000 snow plough, which is 19ft. wide rolling on 10ft. wheels, will push it away.

If any snow plough's riders get bored they can offtake in the aeroplane resting on its top.

Germany also has claims in the Antarctic, but owing to the British

S.M.C.
RELATIONS
WITH JAPAN

London, To-day.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, made a statement in the House of Commons yesterday on present relations between the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Japanese authorities.

Mr. Butler spoke in reply to a request by Mr. A. C. Moreing (Conservative, Preston).

Mr. Butler recalled that the situation in the International Settlement itself remains unchanged, but the area of Hongkew had not yet been returned to the control of the Council.

WESTERN AREA

He added that the situation in the western area beyond the Settlement boundary had given rise to some anxiety, owing to the difference in opinion between the Chinese municipal government, supported by the Japanese authorities, and the Municipal Council, about the policing of extra-Settlement roads.

Negotiations were progressing for arriving at a modus vivendi.—Reuter.

Reinhardt and her two daughters remained in order that the girls could go through with their examination at Birkenhead High School for Girls. Mother and daughters followed to Berlin a fortnight later.



Dumb Dora says the social advantage of not having anything "up stairs" is that one never has to scratch one's head in public.

CONTRABAND
CONTROL
OPERATIONS

London, To-day.

The total contraband of 14,000 tons intercepted by the British Contraband Control during the week ended November 18 brings the total volume of goods detained during the first 11 weeks of war to 441,000 tons.

During the same week the Contraband Committee considered 131 new cases of ships and 74 cases outstanding from the previous week.

The combined total included ships of the following nationalities:—50 Dutch, 30 British, 26 Norwegian, 23 Italian, 16 Swedish, 13 Greek, 12 Danish, 9 Belgian, 8 United States and 5 Yugo-Slav.

During this period one cargo was wholly seized and 114 cargoes were wholly released.

In 20 cases part of the cargoes were seized and the remaining items released.

FORMAL CHECKING

The system under which advance copies of manifests of cargoes are received and considered prior to the ship's arrival at ports in this country resulted during the week under review in 31 cases being so dealt with and in 20 of the ships concerned being released by the Committee, subject mostly to formal checking of the original manifests on their arrival at control bases.

On November 21 there were 90 neutral ships in three contraband control bases in the United Kingdom, 50 of which had been there for less than a week.—British Wireless.

Y.M.C.A. APPEAL
FOR WELFARE WORK

London, To-day.

Her Majesty the Queen and Queen Mary have sent a first donation to a £100,000 appeal launched by the Y.W.C.A. for welfare work among women engaged in national service.

The appeal says that a great deal has to be done for the comfort of the thousands of women in the uniformed services alone and these numbers will soon be increased.—Reuter.

FORMER CRIPPLE NOW
PLAYS TENNISVanquishes Rheumatism
in Feet

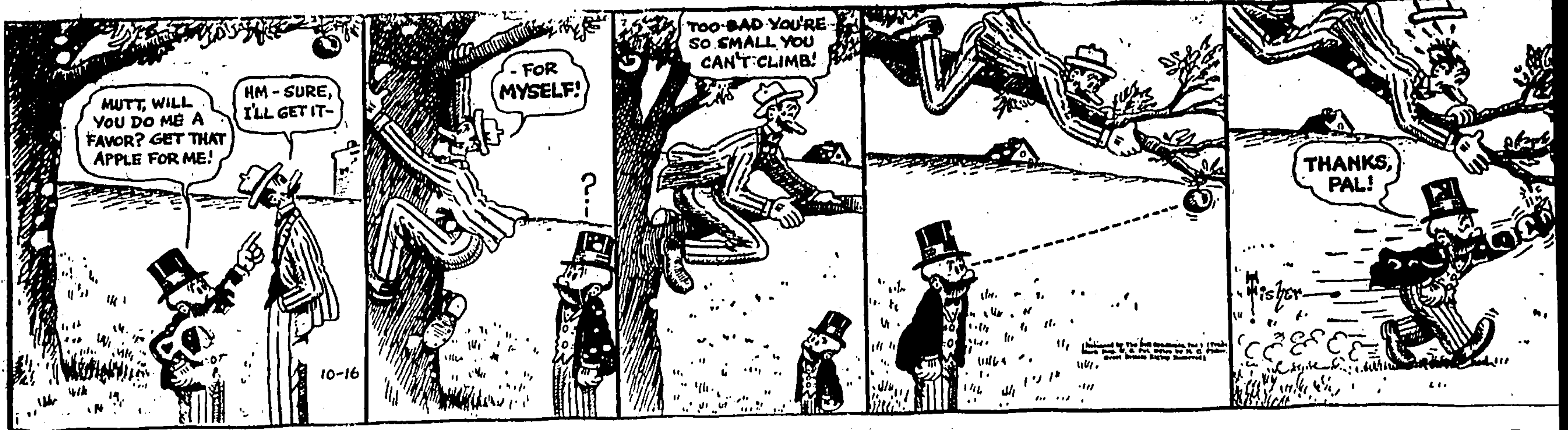
Here is a story of a young man who had given up hope of taking part in active sports with his fellows again. He tells how he tried one remedy after another and how finally a former sufferer put him on the way to recovery:—

"Two years ago I started with pains in the feet which gradually got worse. I tried everything under the sun but to no effect. Whilst waiting for treatment one evening, another patient advised me to try Kruschen Salts. That was twelve months ago; the relief was not sudden, but the pain and swelling gradually left my feet, and in six months I amazed my friends by taking long walks into the country. This year I have played a good deal of tennis, a thing which I had begun to think I should never do again."—C.W.

Most rheumatic pain and swelling is caused by an excess of uric acid accumulating in the body. Kruschen will quickly dissolve away the needle-pointed crystals of uric acid which are the cause of all the trouble. It will also flush those dissolved crystals clean out of your system.

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



London Relay of Talks by Dr. Benes and H. G. Wells

To-day's Wireless

Studio Concert By Helen Lockhart

5.45 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-
tions.

6.47 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections.
Fox-Trot—Serenade In The Night;
Slippery Fingers (Smeck)....The
Kealoa Hawaiian Players.
Palikiko Blues (Traditional); Pau
Carnation (Traditional)....The
Tahiti Beachcombers (Vocal).

7.00 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Don't Let That Moon Get
Away; Comedy Waltz—I Ups To 7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

Her And She Ups To Me....Billy Thor-8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.

Fox-Trots—I Miss You In The
Morning; Lonely....Billy Thor-8.03 p.m.—Chausson—Poeme, Op. 25.

burn & His Music.

Waltzes—Mountain Life; Oh, Isabel-
la....Tessin Band.

Fox-Trots—Jeepers Creepers (film 8.20 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Helen

'Going Places'; Mutiny In The
Nursery (film 'Going Places')....
Paul Whiteman & His Swing
Wing.

Tangos—Punto Arenas; San Fernan-
do....Heinz Huppertz & His Orch.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Chausson—Poeme, Op. 25.

Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and Or-
chestre Symphonique de Paris con-
ducted by Georges Enesco.

8.20 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Helen

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M.
9.52 Megacycles

Lockhart (Contralto) with E. O'Neill
Shaw at the Piano.

1. (a) Se Tu M'Ami (Pergolesi); (b)
The Sandman (Brahms)....Helen
Lockhart (Contralto).

2. (a) Remembrance (Keel); (b) O,
Men from the fields (Hughes)
....Helen Lockhart (Contralto).

3. (a) Rosemary; (b) Valse Caprice-
ceuse (Frank Bridge from
"Three Sketches for iPano")....
E. O'Neill Shaw (Piano).

4. (a) The Blind Ploughman (Con-
ingsby-Clarke); (b) O, Peaceful
England (Edward German); (c)
There's a Land (Allitsen)....
Helen Lockhart (Contralto).

8.45 p.m.—Studio—"Education in Hong
Kong". A Retrospect—2.

9.05 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.

Gipsy Princess—Waltz (Kalman)....
Alfredo & His Orchestra.

Danube Waves (Ivanovici); On The
Shore International Dance
Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Sum-

mary.
9.35 p.m.—London Relay—Foyle's
Literary Luncheon Speeches by Dr.
Benes & Mr. H. G. Wells on "The
Future of Europe".

10.30 p.m.—A Military Band Concert
with Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
Belphegor—March (Brepant); Wel-
lington—March (Zehle)....Massed
Military Bands.

Wandering The King's Highway
(Leslie. Coward); The 'Prentice
Lads O' Cheap (Baron & McCall)
....Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone)
with Orchestra and Male Chorus.

Hobomoko — Intermezzo (Reeves);
Wedding Of The Rose (Jessel)....
The Band of H.M. Coldstream
Guards cond. by Lieut. R. G.
Evans.

Outward Bound ('Songs of the Sea'
— Stanford); Drake's Drum
(Songs of the Sea—Stanford)....
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone)
with Orchestra.

Youth and Vigour (Lautenschlager)
....The Band of H.M. Coldstream
Guards cond. by Lieut. R. G.
Evans.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"Back-
ground to the News".

11.15 p.m.—Close down.

Winning CONTRACT

(By The Four Aces)

David Bruce Burnstone, Merwin D. Maier, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schen-
ken . . . World's leading Team-of-Four, Inventors of the system that has
beaten every other system in existence.

A THREE-SUIT SQUEEZE

Here is a hand which H. S. Nathan
of Buffalo, New York, made by means
of a squeeze when the bidding indi-
cated that simple finesse play would
be unsuccessful:

South, Dealer

♠ 3 2	♥ K 9 7 3 2	♦ Q 2	♣ A 10 9 6
♠ A Q 9 6 4	♥ N	♦ 8 7 6	♣ 8 7 5
♠ Q J 10 5	♥ W	♦ 10 9 6 5	♣ 8 6 4
♠ 8	♥ E	♦ 5 4 2	♣ 5 4 2
♠ Q J 7	♥ S	♦ K J 10	♣ A K J 7 4 3
	♥ A	♦ K 8 3	♣ K 8 3

Mr. Nathan

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	1♠	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♠	Pass
6♠	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Pass			

The Queen of hearts was opened
and Mr. Nathan won with the Ace.

At first glance the
hand appeared hope-
less if West held both
the Ace and Queen of
spades, as the bidding
obviously indicated.
However, Mr. Nathan
saw that if West held
the Queen, Jack and
ten of hearts and the
Queen-Jack of clubs,
a squeeze would be successful.

Deciding to attempt this play, he
promptly ran off six diamonds. After
five diamond leads West retained the
Ace-Queen of spades, the Jack-ten of
hearts and the Queen-Jack-seven of
clubs, while dummy held the King-
nine-seven of hearts and four clubs.

The last trump lead "fixed" West com-
pletely. If he discarded a heart, all
three of dummy's hearts would be
good; likewise, if he let go of a club,
Mr. Nathan would win four club
tricks. Thus West despairingly threw
the spade Queen. Now Mr. Nathan
simply conceded one spade trick, and
dummy's heart King provided a dis-
card for the losing club. Poor West
had been squeezed in three suits.

Saturday you were David Bruce
Burnstone's partner. Both sides were
vulnerable and you held:

♠ A 6 5
♥ A 7 3
♦ 8 6 4 3
♣ A 8 3

The bidding:

Jacoby	You	Maier	Burnstone
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: Your correct bid is to
pass. While you have three nice
Aces, your playing strength is so
slight that an opening bid is more
likely to result in a loss than a gain.
Score 100% for pass, 60% for one
club or one diamond.

QUESTION NO. 265

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's
partner and hold:

♠ K Q 9 7
♥ Q 4 2
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 10 8 5

The bidding:

Jacoby	Maier	You	Schenken
1♥	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer
tomorrow.)

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H.K. LADIES' TEAM FOR SATURDAY

Hong Kong Ladies, who are without
their two backs, Miss Eve Gray, who
is unavailable, and Miss J. Weller,
who is in Shanghai, have selected the
following team to meet "Y" Ladies,
champions, in the Caer Clark Cup ser-
ies on Saturday: Mrs. Lunson; Miss
Sleep and Miss Stratton; Miss Gordon-
Smith, Miss Swann and Miss Green;
Miss Marr, Miss M. Smalley, Mrs.
Skinner, Mrs. Dalziel and Miss Purves.

Newcomers are Miss Stratton, Miss
Marr, who is very fast and who has a
powerful and accurate centre, and
Mrs. Skinner, who possesses excellent
stickwork. Miss Sleep and Miss Gor-
don-Smith helped H.K. Ladies' juniors
several times last season, while Miss
Green played full-back for the second

YACHTING RESULTS

Jean (Col. G. C. Gowlland) won
the "A" Class sweepstake yachting race
yesterday. Isobel (Capt. G. E. Neve)
was second and Eve (Major G. Alley)
third. Colleen (Rev. E. D. A. Staun-
ton) won the Mixed Classes event,
Widgeon (Mr. W. A. Ingram) being
second, and Ailsa, the only other en-
trant, failing to finish.

H.K.C.C. 2ND XI

The following will represent
H.K.C.C. 2nd XI vs. I.R.C. at Sookun-
poo on Saturday next: A. K. Macken-
zie (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E.
Bishop, B. S. W. Paterson, J. E. Pot-
ter, D. O. Parsons, D. S. Robb, T. M.
Suiter, S. J. Cooke, R. M. M. King and
A. T. Dow.

eleven once or twice.

Mrs. Littlejohn is a player who is
going to be greatly missed this season.



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SIGNALS' GREAT SHIELD WIN

PLAY THREE SHORT YET WIN BY 38

In a friendly cricket game at Sookunpoo yesterday, Royal Army Service Corps beat Royal Army Medical Corps by 38 runs.

Service Corps were three men short, but Lim's 45, which included seven boundaries, and 3 for 6, coupled with accurate bowling by Eddy and Martin, gave them a meritorious win.

R.A.S.C.

Lim, c Bennett, b Wyre	45
Eddy, c Workman, b Wyre	10
Cooper, c Webb, b Green	4
Halden not out	4
Skinner, c Parkin, b Wyre	5
Bell, b Wyre	0
Hayman, c Patterson, b Green	4
Waite, b Green	3
Extras	0

Total 75

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wyre	11	1	30	4
Green	10	1	45	3

R.A.M.C.

Green, b Martin	0
Musson, b Martin	2
Parkin, c Bell, b Eddy	0
Bennett, c Lim, b Martin	3
Wyre, b Eddy	0
Short, b Eddy	3
Patterson, b Lim	19
Webb, b Eddy	0
Lylal, c Cooper, b Lim	0
Workman not out	0
D'Arcy, b Lim	0
Extras (B8)	8

Total 37

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Martin	4	1	8	3
Eddy	5	1	0	4
Lim	2	0	3	3
Bell	1	0	5	0

C.B.S. TROUNCE D.B.S.

Scoring 63 retired, including 13 boundaries, F. A. Weller was, together with W. G. Pryde (5 for 25), responsible for Central British School beating Diocesan Boys' School by 7 wickets on the C.B.S. ground yesterday.

Led 3-1 At Interval They Beat Service Corps By 4 To 3

(By "REFEREE")

A SPLENDID RALLY BY Signals in the second half enabled them to enter the First Round Proper of the Junior Football Shield competition yesterday when they defeated Royal Army Service Corps, a Third Division side, by the odd goal in seven at Sookunpoo after being led at the interval by 3 goals to 1.

The deciding goal was from a penalty taken by Bundy in the closing minutes of the match.

Service Corps showed a decided superiority in the first half, when their forwards were seen in several good movements. In the second half, however, they seemed content with their lead and were not so thrustful in attack, while the improved play of Signals' intermediate line kept them from being so dangerous.

Havocroft, of Service Corps, played a good game at back. His powerful kicking clearing his lines times out of number, and in the second half he was even more prominent. Another player to shine in defence was Smart, right-half, who put in much hard work, particularly in the second half.

MARTIN PROMINENT

In the forward line Martin, inside-right, played intelligent football and made many openings for his line. Glen was hard working in the centre, but he did not use his chances to best advantage.

For Signals, Bundy and Husband, on the left-wing, were outstanding, and they were the source of most danger to the Service Corps' defence, but

they did not come into their own till the second half.

Brakenberry, pivot, after a shaky first half, settled down well and was the mainstay of the defence. His tackling was sound, and he kept his forwards well supplied with passes. Dignan, on his right, played soundly and combined well.

SOON 3-1 DOWN

Service Corps scored first through Glen, but Signals equalised soon after through Bundy.

A faulty clearance by Spink gave an easy chance for Martin to score and shortly after Young scored the Service Corps' third goal.

Faced with this deficit in the second half, Signals were early pressing and, playing improved football, eventually reduced the lead through Bundy, who sent in a hard shot which Mattison touched but could not clear. A few minutes later the Signals were on level terms through Husband. The winning goal was scored by Bundy, who thus registered his "hat-trick," from a penalty.

R.A.S.C.:—Mattison; Havocroft and Hill; Smart, Logan and Hammond; Walton, Martin, Glen, Young and Renny.

SIGNALS:—Kennard; Taylor and Spink; Dignan, Brakenberry and Perry; Pitcher, Marsden, Hutchinson, Bundy and Husband.

NAVY BEAT POLICE 6-3

At Boundary Road yesterday, Navy beat Police in a friendly Rugby game by 6 points (a try and penalty) to 3 points (a try).

The opening minutes of the game provided even play, but 10 minutes after the start Luscombe cut round the blind side and crossed over well wide of the posts.

Shortly after, Navy forwards, with the ball at their feet, broke away. Taylor took a flying kick at the ball which rebounded off a Navy player and over his head for Palmer to score a try.

Navy's other points came from a penalty for offside converted by Pluggie from an easy position for Navy to lead 6 points to 3.

From then on the Police pressed but could not get over the line.

Taylor played well at full-back for Police, whose threequarters seemed disorganised and missed the services of Fay and Wilkin. In the forward line Beattie, Cullinan, Jenner and Dempsey did well.

Kennedy was the outstanding Navy threequarter. The forwards were all good, Bailey, King, Palmer and Foster deserving special mention.

POLICE SELECT TEAM FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY

The following have been chosen to represent Police in a friendly Rugby game against Club on the Club ground at 5 p.m. next Wednesday:

Taylor; Reynolds, Fay, Wall and Wilson; Leslie and Luscombe; Wheeler, Searle, Innis, Cullinan, Kenner, Davitt, Dempsey and Riddell.

MIDDLESEX HOLD ARMY

An Army hockey team yesterday shared two goals with Middlesex Regiment at Shamshupo.

H.K. GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM LOSE

On November 16 the Hong Kong Girls' Basketball team lost to Manila Ladies' Amateur Athletic Association by 29-27. The following is a report of the game by "The Manila Bulletin":

A shot from near the charity zone by Annie Kho enabled the Anglo-Chinese girls, MLAA (Manila Ladies' Amateur Athletic Association) basketball champions, to turn back the visiting Hong Kong Stars, 29-27, last night before a big crowd of the Manila Chinese community, estimated at 6,000, at the Rizal Memorial Tennis Stadium. The Anglo-Chinese quintette is the first local team to defeat the visitors in six starts here.

The score was 27-all and six seconds to play when Kho executed her thrilling shot. She received a nice pass from Lourdes Go from outside and lost no time in puncturing the hoop. A thundering roar rent the stadium as the basket brought about the first defeat of the visitors in their Manila series.

Tourists' Half Time Lead

The local champions worked from behind a 19-12 count at half time to win. They went to town in the last half with Lourdes Go leading the attack. Lourdes sank three successive baskets early in the third period and paved the way for the locals' victory. Titania Uy followed suit, puncturing the hoop from the corner, and then Lolita Uy scored from under to put Anglo-Chinese in the lead for the first time in the game, 22-21. The third quarter ended with this score.

Chan Chai-chen started the fireworks in the final period by arching one in from long-range and gave the lead back to the visitors, 28-22. Annie Kho scored from under and then Concha Go also put in a twin marker. Diana Chen, who led in scoring for the visitors, punctured the hoop from long-distance and made the score, 28-25, Anglo-Chinese leading by one point and three minutes to go.

Sensational Shot

Shengue of the visitors fouled Annie Kho who converted a free shot and increased the locals' lead to two points, 27-25. In the last minute and half of play, Chai-chen again scored a long one and tied the score 27-all. It was a mad scramble from then on and it looked like an overtime period was in order. Then came Annie Kho's sensational shot in the last six seconds which gave the game to the local dribblers.

The Hong Kong girls managed to lead by one point, 28-27, at the end of the first quarter. Lau Sau-kwong, the visitors' trick shot artist, scored three baskets in this period.

In the second period, the Hong Kong girls dominated the situation. Diana Chen and Shengue scored nine points between them in the period and accounted for the visitors' seven-point lead at half time.

The Line-Ups

Anglo-Chinese	29	Hong Kong Stars	27
Lolita Uy	9	Lolita Shengue	6
Chai-chen	6	Diana Chen	9
Concha Go	4	Lau Sau Kwong	6
Titania Uy	4	Lau Sau Kwong	6
Lourdes Go	7	Tan Yueng Hoo	0
Annie Kho	5	Ngan Sau Yung	2
		Chan Chai Chen	4

ARGONAUTS WIN

In a friendly ladies' hockey game at King's Park yesterday, Argonauts defeated C.B.A. by a goal scored by Miss C. Xavier.

C.B.A. were without the services of a right half throughout and were kept on the defensive. Miss A. Smith, right-back, and Mrs. M. Ramsay, goalkeeper, combined nicely to spoil many attacks. Miss D. Squires, right-wing, and Miss J. Crawford, centre-forward, were the only outstanding forwards. Miss G. Hayter, centre, and Miss M. Maxwell, inside-left, worked hard and showed good co-operation. In defence, Miss S. Silva, the goalkeeper, was prominent.

THOMSON EXCELS IN HIS DEBUT GAME FOR CLUB

(By "SCRUM-HALF")

THOMSON MADE A very impressive debut for Club "A" yesterday at the Valley, and it was largely due to his splendid service from the scrum that Club beat a bustling and unorthodox Middlesex Regiment team by a penalty try and two tries (9 points) to nil after an interval lead of 3-0.

It is early yet to judge Thomson's play at scrum-half, but he has all the makings of a good player. Not yet in the twenties, he tackles and falls on the ball fearlessly, is quick off the mark and not slow to see an opening, and, above all, sends out perfect passes to his fly-half. Judging Thomson on this one showing, Henderson will need to maintain a very high standard if he is to retain his place in the first fifteen.

Middlesex, without Lt. Mann, Lt. Hewitt and Berry, tried out Jones at scrum-half in view of the possibility of Richards being unfit to take his place on the wing for Army on Saturday, thus forcing Hook to come into centre threequarter and so leave the scrum-half position vacant. Jones, however, was not given a very fair chance as his forwards rarely heeled and when they did the ball came through very slowly, while he was opposed to a real live wire in Thomson. The soldiers' tackling was invariably high, while their forwards lacked combination at all times, failing to back up and being too inclined to be caught offside. Jennings was the only one of the fifteen to impress, but he received no support whatever.

Club, fielding a reorganised team, were undoubtedly the better team, but they had to fight hard for their 9-0 win against a rugged defence and their own mistakes.

Nelson ran very determinedly on the wing, and his try was the result of a nice corkscrew run which took him past three opponents when only five yards from the touchline. Van Leeuwen, on the other wing, was again very selfish on the few occasions he received the ball. Once Thomson was backing him up for a certain try, only to see the winger grassed without any attempt to pass.

The slippery ball did not deter Cessford, but he was caught in possession more often than usual. Among the forwards Heasman was most prominent.

A bad lapse on the part of one of the Middlesex backs, when he failed to hold a bouncing ball, saw Lavallo go over for a gift try. In the second half Cessford sent Nelson away and the latter scored the best try of the match. A penalty try was awarded Club in the closing stages, but the kick from in front of the posts surprisingly failed.

The teams were:

Club "A"—Needham; Nelson, Lavallo, Godfrey and Van Leeuwen; Cessford and Thomson; Heasman, Seiter, Cullerton; Jones, Jennings, Dill, King and Burford. Middlesex—Holford; Ferguson, Freshwater, Moggeridge and Hobson; Mellor and Jones; Burrell, Jennings, Pearce; Hurlock, Dibble; Wooty, Heather and Wilson.

THE announcement a week ago of the proposal to be made at the General Meeting of the Lawn Bowls Association for the abolition of the League has been the cause of much discussion and has been the main topic of conversation in bowling circles.

It is now revealed that the proposal will not meet with support from a large section, who attribute the increasing popularity of the game in no small measure to the League.

This section believe that the best interests of the game is served by the League and argue that competitive bowls provides an incentive to practice, thereby raising the standard of bowls in the Colony. They scorn the idea of the poor spirit in which the game is played in the League and add that those who do not play the game as it should, form only a very small percentage of lawn bowlers taking part.

They point out that clubs should conform to the rules governing the competition and any transgression of them must be looked on with disfavour. Instances of senior players playing for the junior team of their club, or players playing for more than one club during a season have been few and far between. The new rules, which will be drawn up shortly, are expected to provide

against these infringements.

League bowls is the means of more friendly and social relationships between clubs and bowlers than friendly games could be, they add. On the other hand, it is stated that friendly games provide more enjoyment in an afternoon's sport, the sole idea of winning being absent and the game being played merely for the recreation it affords.

Friendly bowls would do away with the habit of players changing clubs as has so often occurred in the past. A club could arrange for more than three rinks to be played and all members could be given a chance to play instead of watching selected members using the green they help to maintain.

Players would have more opportunities to play in other positions if desired, and there would not be that tension during games as exists in League matches.

Clubs can indulge in the sport without any thought of promotion or relegation, while friendly bowls would save the selection committees much worry and stamp out jealousy and criticism.

Added to this, players might take a week-end off when they desire without thinking that in doing so they would let their club down.

SUNDAY'S PAPER-HUNT

The Cottage Club at Fanling will open its Winter riding season with a paper-hunt at 3 p.m. on Sunday next. Riders will gather at the Club-House at 2 p.m. and will move off to the starting-point at 2.30 p.m.

For the benefit of spectators, the

K.C.C. BOWLERS LOSE AT GOVT. HOUSE

In a friendly lawn bowls match at Government House yesterday, a team led by His Excellency the Governor defeated a team from the Kowloon Cricket Club by 78 shots to 48.

R. Walker, A. C. Milne, J. Deakin and H.E. Sir Geoffrey Northcote beat V. C. Labrum, H. Overy, F. Goodwin and Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell 27-9.

W. Cornell, N. L. Smith, H. H. Pegg and E. Searle beat R. S. Meadows, J. M. Brown, T. V. Carr and E. Kern 26-20.

J. Owen Hughes, J. A. Fraser, T. Robson and Sir Athol McGregor beat A. W. Ramsey, E. Abraham, J. M. Jack and J. Fraser 23-19.

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T. H. KING,
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Hong Kong, 14th Nov., 1939.

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THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 22nd December, 1939, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the financial year ended 30th September, 1939, and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS AND REGISTER OF SHAREHOLDERS will be closed from Friday, 1st December, 1939, to Friday, 22nd December, 1939, both days inclusive.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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H.K.V.D.C. CAMP WASHED OUT BY TYPHOON

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of the Colony.

Signals at the Royal Observatory were changed no fewer than three times by 11.30 a.m. from the time of hoisting of the No. 1 signal at 8.35 a.m.

No. 8 went up soon after 9 a.m.

Shortly after 10 a.m., No. 9, indicating that the gale was expected to increase, was hoisted.

At 11.30 a.m., No. 9 was lowered and No. 8 restored.

BLOWS UP A LITTLE

At noon, the wind was blowing with some increase in force, but there was no sign of a typhoon, in the ordinary accepted sense of the term.

At six o'clock this morning, the typhoon was about 120 miles to the South-East of Hong Kong, moving N.N.W., but at 10 a.m. it had changed direction and was about 60 miles to the W.S.W. of the Colony, moving N.N.E. or N.E., placing Hong Kong in its direct path.

HISTORY OF TYPHOON

It was first reported on the 20th when it crossed the Visayas on a W.N.W. track. In the afternoon, it moved S.E. towards the Paracels, changed course again and moved N.N.W. Yesterday afternoon, it was reported to the north of the Paracels.

The No. 1 signal was hoisted at 8 a.m. to-day and the No. 8 (owing to the sudden change in direction) at 9 a.m.

Boats in harbour scurried for shelter, coolies on the wharves were hastily moving loose objects, and some of the schools, at 10 a.m., had sent their students home.

The Philippines Clipper did not leave this morning owing to the typhoon. She is now due to leave, for Manila and the United States, to-morrow morning at 8.30 a.m. with passengers and mail.

MACAO SHIPS DELAY

All vessels scheduled to sail for Macao to-day have temporarily suspended departure.

JUNKS CAPSIZE

Two fishing junks were caught in the gale shortly after 10 a.m. off Green Island and capsized.

The five occupants were, however, rescued by a passing launch.

H.K.V.D.C. CAMP FLOODS

The trouble at the Volunteer Camp began last night when heavy rain set in and flooded the tents last in line, compelling hasty evacuation of the Mobile Column with kit and bedding to the Mess Room, where they spent the night on the tables.

This morning, heavy wind gusts were experienced and it was decided to call off exercises for the day, only the Engineers, who worked on and exploded a "Bangalore torpedo" used for destroying barbed wire, carrying on.

GALE FORCE

At about 9.45 a.m., the wind reached gale force and torrential rain quickly converted the entire camp into a quagmire inches deep in mud and water.

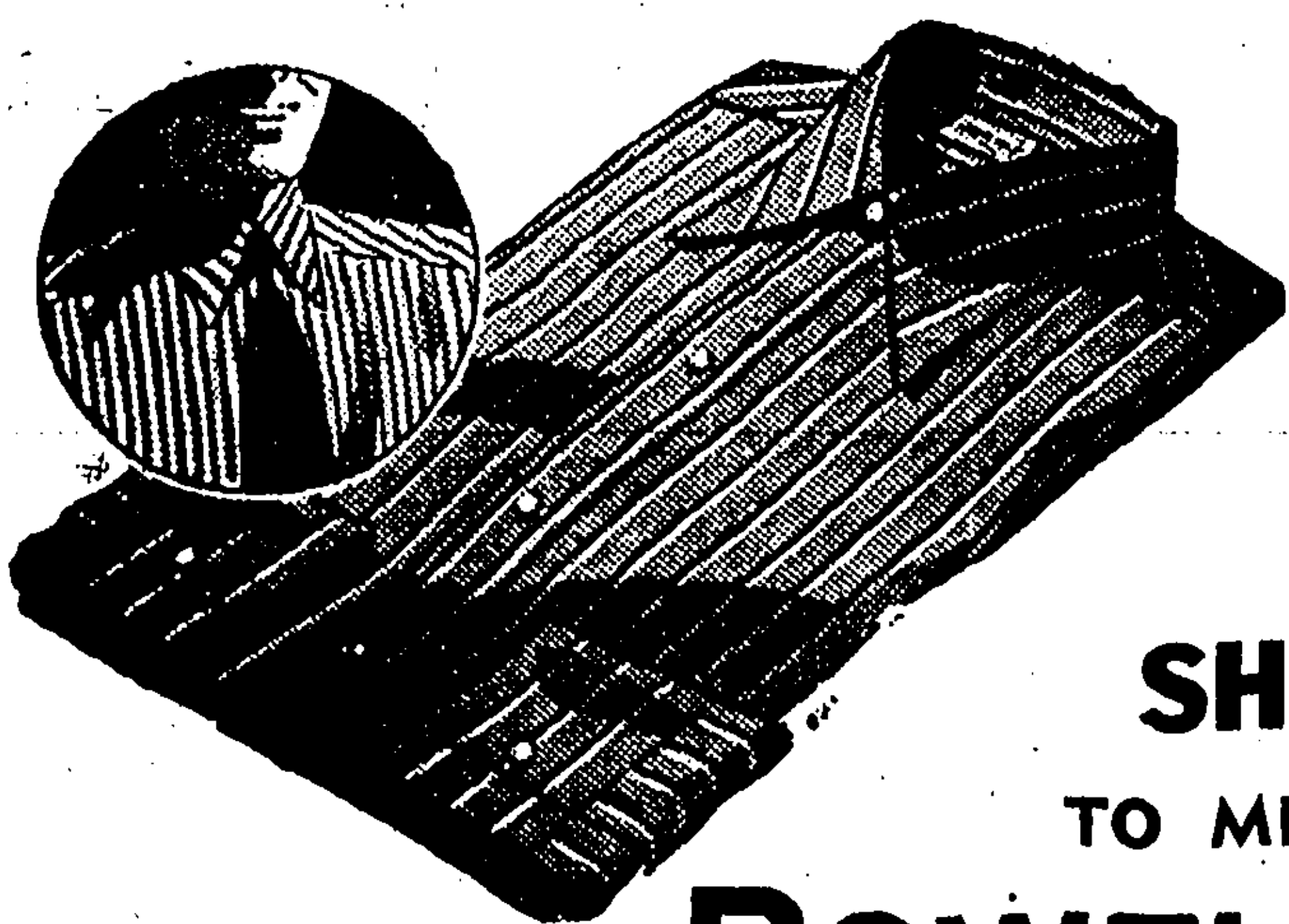
By 11 a.m. all lines had flooded, the tents were showing signs of acute distress where they had not already collapsed, and the order to "strike camp" was given.

Troops were issued with waterproofs and all tents were pulled down. By this time, water was two feet deep in parts.

CHEERFUL SPIRIT

Despite the conditions, with every officer and man soaked to the skin, a cheerful spirit prevailed and discipline was exemplary.

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"From this it follows that there no longer exist purely commercial shipping routes to England."

"Thus an opponent must obviously take measures on the assumption of an immediate struggle with warships."

"The British themselves are to blame for the fact that on merchant shipping routes, and along the coast the presence of British warships has to be reckoned with."

"Against those the laying of mines is allowed and, according to the Hague Agreement, announcing of these minefields does not come into question until the military objective is reached." — Reuter.

This afternoon's heavy gusts caused small shop-keepers, fearing the approach of worse weather to close their doors and put up their shutters. The streets were quiet and almost deserted save for a few scurrying pedestrians.

AMERICA'S FIRM STAND IN FAR EAST

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JAPAN'S DEPENDENCE

Simultaneously the American position is further strengthened by the fact that Japan is daily more dependent upon American exports, as shown by the Department of Commerce's report, which shows it as one of the repercussions of the European war on Japan's economic situation.

The report points out that Britain now requires for her own use raw materials which the Empire had previously exported to Japan, and which formed 20 per cent. of Japan's supplies from abroad.

Notable is the case of Malayan tin, on which Japan's canned goods industry depends, and also Malayan rubber, Canadian aluminium, Australian wool and Indian lead.

TURNING MORE AND MORE

The report further points out that Japanese industry is not getting German machinery and chemicals.

Thus Japan is turning more and more to the U.S.A., where, however, she experiences difficulties in buying, as all American producers now demand cash payments. — Havas.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai, To-day.

Wang Ching-wei, in first interview with foreign newspaperman, declared new government will have Nanking as capital, gradually extend authority over all China. Will be unitarian not federative.

Date formation not yet predictable.

Said it was necessary China and Japan to recognise neither army could conclude war by military victory and both must make concessions for peace, on basis of respect for China's territorial integrity.

New Political Council soon to be formed in Tsingtao to form members of new government. — Havas.

The Lido Lady at Repulse Bay was blown from her moorings this morning and has been washed ashore at Middle Island. A provisional estimate puts the damage done to her at \$7,000.

Several more junks capsized during the morning. At 10.30 a.m., a cargo junk capsized in Hung Hom Bay. Her crew were rescued by a ferry launch.

At 11 a.m., a junk capsized in Lyeemun Pass. The crew were all picked up by a Royal Navy boat.

At 10 o'clock this morning, a Chinese who was fixing a sun-blind at the top of a ladder was blown over and fell some 10 feet to the ground. He was taken to hospital.

NO. 9 TYPHOON SIGNAL WAS RE-HOISTED AT 3.51 P.M.

The No. 8 signal was still up this afternoon.

Shortly after 3 p.m. it was stated that the typhoon is now stationary between 30 and 40 miles to the North-West of the Colony.

The last November typhoon experienced in Hong Kong was on November 20, 1927.

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